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GERMANY'S REPLY TO AMERICAN NOTE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO GERARD: ON WAY TO WASHINGTON

Ouestions Raised by Our President.

AS TO THE LUSITANIA

Is Willing to Pay When in the Wrong - Refer Doubtful Case to The Hague.

Will Not Answer Demands. Pending More Talk.

Berlin, via London, May 29. -The German reply to the American German note were received. note, sent after the sinking of the Jagow, the foreign minister, at 11 ing for transmission to Washing-

compensation in cases in which character.

Defers Direct Answer. As indicated previously in these dispatches, the note defers a direct andent Wilson, pending a further diplomatic exchange of views.

Germany desires to establish whether the Lusitania was a .defenseless mersengers were permitted to take passage to safeguard the war materials.

The American representations recitizen lost his life are answered with place of safety. the statement that it was intended to he captain in attempting to escape, the submarine granted ten minutes for

minutes before sinking the ship. Germany expresses regrets for "the unintentional attacks" on the American steamer Cushing and the Gulflight. The Cushing was attacked by German airmen in the North sea and the Gulfight was torpedoed off Scilly islands. Strmany disavows any intention to attack harmless neutral craft. She offers to pay compensation wherever she found to be in the wrong, and to refer doubtful cases to The Hague for a

Ignores Parts of Note. The passages in the American note concerning a possible disavowal by sermany of intent to sink the Lusitania and the discontinuance of her present practices of submarine warfare, are not mentioned specifically in the reply. The note states that pending the reby of the American government to the erman assumptions of fact regarding the real character of the Lusitania and er cargo, no attempt will be made to answer the demands contained in the

The assumptions of fact are as fol-The Lusitania was built as an auxlliary cruiser, subsidized and carried on the navy lists as such. She carried according to German information two suns mounted and concealed below

american communication.

British steamers sailing from New ork, according to information received rom passengers and other sources, releatedly carried soldiers, artillery, war supplies and contraband to England, the Lusitania on this trip carrying pecifically 5,400 cases of ammunition addition to other war supplies and anadian troops en route to the front. deamers is contrary to American law. is intimated that the German govimment would be glad to receive information as to how it happened that was permitted to be shipped on the Lusitania, a vessel crowded with passengers. Strong phrases are dipments by embarking American pasengers on the same ships.

Were There Boats Enough? opportunity was given to place the pas- north and south of Jaroslau and have adopted after the sinking of the Ti- to have repulsed.

Finally the American mediatory prosettlement on this general basis.

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Note Defers Direct Answer to TORPE DING OF NEBRASKAN ADDS RAVE FACTOR TO THE ALR ADY TENSE SITUATION

American Commission Examining Damaged Vessel Makes That Report—Comment on Reply of German Government Withheld Till Note is Received at Capitol.

cial text of the German reply to the the vessel and the testimony of the American note concerning violations of chief engineer of the Nebraskan that he saw the wake of a torpedo they had no neutral rights in the war zone is re- doubt that the ship was attacked by a ceived, probably tomorrow, President submarine. Inasmuch as submarines of Wilson will reserve comment. This came from the White House tonight cals is similar to that reached after after press dispatches outlining the an investigation of the attack on Gulf-

It is known, however, that the United States government is prepared to con-Lusitania, was signed by Herr Von trovert every one of the points mentioned in the summary of the German position as published here. The press o'clock last night, and delivered outline conforms with Ambassador Gerard's dispatches of the last few days to Ambassador Gerard this morn- forecasting the nature of the German

Evidence of an indisputable charac-The note expresses Germany's on May 3 to prove that the Lusitinia carried no guns, either mounted or regret for injuries sustained by unmounted, that she carried no explosives within the meaning of American long to learn of the new developments Americans as a result of submarine statutes and that no British vessels and the precautions to be taken with have cleared from American ports for respect to neutral ships. The fact that several months carrying guns of

The British ambassador here is pre-Germany is found to be in the paring to transmit assurances from the British government that the Lusitania was not armed and that she could not name of his ship was painted on her te carried on the naval lists as an auxiliary cruiser unless she was armed and commissioned, the latter change from swer to the questions raised by Presi- a peacefu, merchantman to an auxiliary cruiser being possible, according to British practice, only in home ports. The United States, moreover, holds

that the carrying of arms and ammutransportation of war munitions and Luarmed individuals who might be soldiers, on which unsuspecting pas- prospective soldiers, does not lest; ov the right under international law and humanity of the belligerent merchantman . to be visited and searched begarding the torpedoing of the British fore being destroyed and the neutral or steamer Falaba in which an American combatant passengers transferred to a

While the exact phraseology of the offer ample time for the passengers and German reply is awaited with much crew to leave the ship. The action of interest, there was a feeling of pessimism in many quarters over the reporthowever, necessitated more summary ed evasion of President Wilson's deaction. Even then the commander of mands for reparation for the loss of more than 100 American lives and those on board to leave the vessel and guarantees that submarine warfare will subsequently extended the time to 23 be so conducted in the future as to

safeguard American lives and vessels. A grave factor has been added to the situation by the finding of the American commission appointed by Ambassador Page that the American steamer Nebraskan was torpedoed without warning by a submarine. In German quarters, the claim was persistent that the vessel must have struck a mine.

Lieut. John H .Towers, naval attache and naval constructor Lewis B. Mc Bride, of the American embassy and Consul Washington at Liverpool have reported through Ambassador Page

Washington, May 29 .- Until the offi- that after a technical examination of man foreign office for its report on the case is expected to go forward within

a day or two. on neutral vessels would cease, at least while the negotiations were in prog-

ed that if the ship was attacked by a German submarine, the commander may have been away from his base too he Nebraskan had hauled down her possible reason for suspecting that she Greene in his affidavit declares the sides in letters six feet high and that it was possible for a submarine commander to see them.

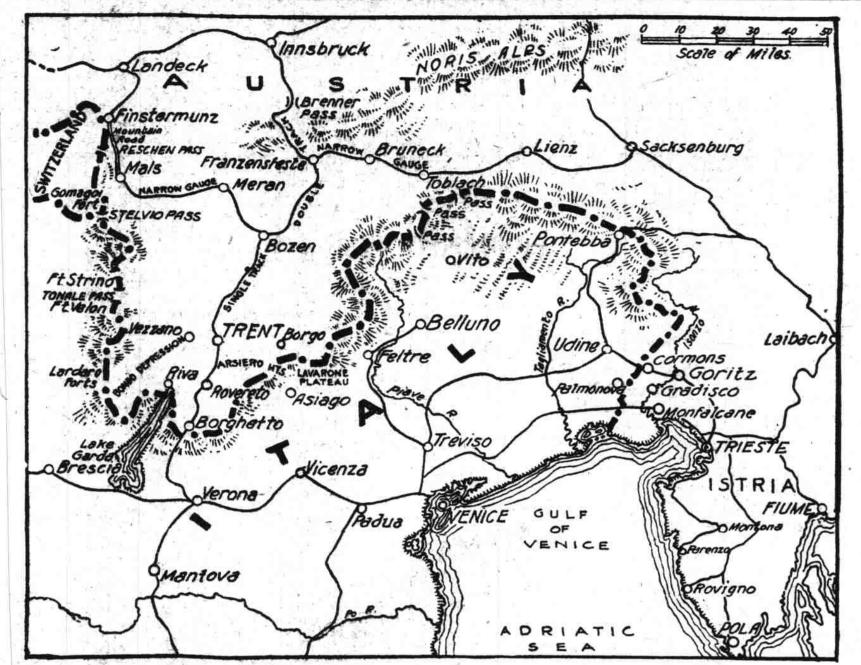
Incidentally the State Department received from Ambassador Gerard today a circular issued by the German government warning neutral vessels to keep their names illuminated at night thant ship or was being used for the nition and other contraband, or a few and to bear as many distinguishing sibility of mistaken attacks.

Secretary Bryan declined to comment on the Nebraskan case. He said he had received up to a late hour tonight no word as to when the German note would be received here, but on the assumption that it had been presented to Ambassador Gerard this afternoon be estimated that it might not reach Washingon until late tomorrow.

While officials did not care to comment on the German reply until they had read the text, the forecast of its contents was looked upon in well informed quarters as not difficult to answer because the American government had made a careful investigation of the facts in the case before sending its

Germany's contention that it is impossible to settle the question of whether proper opportunity was given the passengers to escape until it is determined whether the Lusitania was equipped with the lifeboats and appurtenances provided for in regulations adopted after the Titanic sank, was looked upon in official quarters as irrelevant because it was pointed out the (Continued From Page Two.)

Italian-Austrian Border, Where Fight is Going On.



if the stories from Rome are to be be- the Italian provinces along the Adri- provinces.

FROM CONFERENCE

American Nations.

Are Apparent-Secretary McAdoo

Washington, May 29 .- The Pan-

ness men of the two Western conti-

the results of the meetings may be, so

probably will not be apparent until

Congress receives the report and sug-

gestions of Secretary McAdoo., presid-

proved transportation facilities be-

The conference took no definite stand

Mr. McAdoo indicated, however, his

purpose to make some concrete pro-

posal to Congress, saying he expected

committee on transportation was

ng officer of the conference.

ween North and South America.

The Italians have taken the offensive, lieved, Austrian garrisons have fied be- atic, now in so far as the news dispatches tell fore them. On the other hand the

the story of the war between Italy and Italians have mobilized north of Venice minds to take the war into Austria, Austria. Italian parties have charged and in the neighborhood of Treviso and rather than permit the Germans and a huge relief scheme are the first steps across the border near Switzerland, and Udine, ready to march into Trieste and Austrians to invade their northern

FEDERAL ATTORNEY

Between Business Men of All Of What United States Has Would Show by State's Evi-Done Since War Began.

MUCH GOOD COMING FRANCE DISPLAYS

May be Many Months Before Results Four Large Albums Containing Autographed Appreciations of Authors and Poets, and Original Drawings Presented.

Paris, May 29.-What Americans American Republics were inclined to Congressional Library at Washington cessory after the crime, was the slayer. overlook its sentimental value and the and 500 duplicates arranged for by the

In the presidential party were Mrs. Sharp, wife of the American ambassa-Of first importance politically and dor, and Miss Sharp; Signora Tittoni, commercially is the question of im- wife of the Italian ambassador and ambassador. There were grouped about Ambassador Sharp Premier Viviani, oday on how transportation could be Foreign Minister Delcasse and other best developed and left the question of members of the French cabinet and law." ship subsidy or government ownership the Russian and Italian ambassadors. where it was when the deliberations the ministers of Belgium, Servia and many members of the French academy

and institute. Sharp's First Appearance. to urge the President to press for ade- official appearance and he was ap- ney, but entirely in the capacity of a quate legislation. The report of the plauded warmly by the several thous- private citizen of Georgia "who does and persons assembled in the amphiadopted today without a dissenting theatre, three-quarters of whom are ed for another's crime," his argument prominent in the intellectual and so- starts with the proposition that Congirls sang the Star Spangled Banner der notes found beside Mary Phagan's za authorities of 600 tons of corn puras a special compliment to Ambassa- body, raises the conclusion that, unless chased by the International Relief uing the work of the conference. He dor Sharp. Leon Bonnat, president of he can furnish a credible explanation. pointed out that the delegates had no the Institute of France, and Gabriel Conley was the slayer. Hanotaux, representing the French academy presented the albums to the Alexander, "resolves itself into an in- will be served on the Mexican generals American Ambassador.

was greeted with long continued ap- presumptions are, in the present status, may be constrained to undertake the plause which grew to an ovation when in favor of its truth, I propose to show distribution of supplies through its he referred to the warm feeling of how, when and why the story was own agencies. sympathy of the United States for manufactured and I shall do this with-France and said:

anything different." Mr. Sharp was congratulated by President Poincare and M. Delcasse and ise Mr. Alexander presents circum- Mexico confirmed the impressions of a happy conception. It has turned out others while the great audience arose stances tending to show why the police the President that none of the factions French official statement also claims better than its very best friends could en masse and applauded. The ceremo- were liable to be mistaken and why seemed able to control the military ny ended by Count Solly reciting a the public failed at the time to perceive "The conference has been character- poem on the United States written for the importance of the discovery that ized by practical business sense. The the occasion by Madame Lescalle. The Conley wrote the "murder notes." He that the effect of his statement will be results promise to be extremely help- albums which were presented to Mr. ful in giving impetus to the movement | Sharp were beautifully bound in green for closer credit relations and in re- with the flags of France and the Unit- and groups the movements of the per- to some constructive plan for the esmoving obstacles that stand in the ed States in colors.

WILL EXAMINE WRECKED F-4

Bodies of Her Crew. Washington, May 29 .- Acting Secre- in Conley's statements and argues on be afforded by General Carranza to tary Rosevelt today directed Rear Ad- the physical impossibility of material March 25 until the vessel, now in 48 feet of water, has been brought to the tions and conversations with Frank.

HER APPRECIATION PLEADS FOR FRANK

dence That He is Innocent

CONCLUDED LAST NIGHT SHARP GIVEN OVATION AND CONLEY IS GUILTY

As a Frivate Citizen of Georgia United States Attorney Presents Prison Commission with 25,000 Word

Atlanta, May 29.-Hooper Alexander American Financial Conference closed have done for France during the war, | United States attorney for the northern here tonight after six days' discussion was impressively acknowledged by the district of Georgia, late today filed with of problems which have confronted the French government and people today the state prison commission a plea two Americas because of the European in a presentation to Ambassador Sharp for a commutation of Leo M. Frank's or four great albums containing auto- sentence, in which he seeks to show by Concrete results of the meetings may graphed appreciations by eminent au- the testimony of the state's own witnot be apparent for many months, but thors and poets and original drawings nesses that Frank did not murder Mary none of the representatives of the by artists of France. The albums will Phagan but that James Conley, a ne-United States or delegates of the Pan- be sent by Ambassador Sharp to the gro, now serving a sentence as an ac-

Hugh M. Dorsey, solicitor general, apparent fact that through its busi- French government will be presented who prosecuted Frank, also gave out to public libraries in the United States. tonight his letter to the prison com-The ceremony took place in the his- mission opposing clemency for Frank. toric amphitheatre of the University of declaring "the facts and circumstances far as the United States is concerned. Paris. Among notable persons present surrounding the commission of the were the President and Mme. Poincare, murder do not invoke the exercise of the situation, there was a possibility mercy or offer inducement to temper the penalty," and further that the fact. It was pointed out, however, that what that Frank's conviction has been af- might have previously been considered firmed by both state and Federal courts by some Mexicans as an aggressive "despite the indefatigable exertions of intervention, has now changed on ac-Mme. Iswolsky, wife of the Russian his influential friends in and out of count of the famine conditions to a hu-Georgia * * * justifies my deep con- manitarian expedition designed to save viction that the ends of justice have been accomplished by the processes of hands of military bands. It is even

> communication, which comprises approximately 25,000 words, that he makes his apenal on Frank's behalf The occasion was Mr. Sharp's first not in his capacity as Federal attornot desire to see an innocent man hangcial life of Paris. A chorus of 100 ley's admission that he wrote the mur-

"The whole question." When Mr. Sharp arose to reply he agreeing to the proposition that the supplies or the American government "Don't let any false prophets tell you for the defense or stating any fact de- with cabinet officers and others. The pending on that testimony. In the effort to fulfill this promsets forth the known facts as the equa- to draw the better elements of the tion of a mathematical problem, traces Mexican military factions together insons concerned on the day of the mur- tablishment of a government that der, who testified as the state wit- could be accorded recognition by the nesses, shows the evolution of Conley's United States. stories, changes Conley made in them

> Thinks Couley Guilty. "While Conley's account of his ac-

ACUTE INTEREST IS AROUSED OVER MEXICAN PROBLEM

Official and Diplomatic Quarters Curious as to Forthcoming Statement.

FROM THE WHITE HOUSE

Possibility of Intervention by United States is Admitted by Our Officials.

Washington, May 29 .- Announcement that President Wilson would demand settlement of the Mexican problem by the warring factions themselves within a short time and failing in that, adopt some means, not defined as yet, to bring about peace, has developed acute interest in official and diplomatic quarters as to the prospective action of the United States.

The President's appeal for funds and supplies to relieve the starving popuation of Mexico, the preparation at the White House of a statement to be communicated to all military leaders in Mexico next Tuesday, and arrangements of the American Red Cross for in a policy which it became known today, President Wilson has had under object of restoring peace in Mexico.

Text is Kept Secret. The text of the President's forthcoming statement is an official secret, prior to its preparation, it is understood Mr. Wilson will address not only the military leaders in Mexico, but the Mexican people and at the same time the people of the United States. He will review in detail the course of events in Mexico since the assassination of Madero and Suarez and the

usurpation of the presidency by Huer-

The pronouncement, it is said, will call attention to the fact that the United States government, by refusing to recognize Huerta, assisted in driving him out of power and expected from the victorious Constitutionalists the re-establishment of government in Mexico. Nearly a year has passed since Huerta was compelled to resign, but the Constitutionalists, the statement will say, have failed in the meantime to restore order, conditions growing worse daily with no faction apparently possessing the capacity to establish a government.

In view of these conditions, according to reliable information, the State Department will serve notice that the situation has grown intolerable to foreigners and the Mexican people alike, the Mexican chiefs must arrange for an early solution of the problem. Unless this is forthcoming soon, it will be indicated to the military leaders in have to be employed to assist the Mexican people. The President does not intend to specify this government's course for the present.

Officials did not deny today that if the Mexican factions failed to compose of intervention by the United States. the Mexican people, helpless in the suggested in well informed quarters that one result of the food situation, Mr. Alexander explicity states in his if famine continues, would be a direct appeal to the United States government from large numbers of the Mexican people for intervention.

Several Weeks to Develop.

The new phases in the Washington government's policy may take several weeks to develop. For the present efforts will be made to get food to the Mexicans. The seizure by the Carran-Committee is one of the incidents which shas aggravated the situation quiry as to the truth of Conley's story, to permit the transportation of relief

The plan of President Wilson has out referring to any testimony offered been evolved after many conferences report of Duval West, who returned last Tuesday after an investigation in situation

The President is said to be hopeful

Eliseo Arredondo, head of the Carand the motive for each variation. He ranza agency here, issued a statement also points out alleged inconsistencies tonight declaring every facility would carry on relief work and that Presi-

General Carranza was held in the statement to be innocent of any "charge of neglect or indifference in connection with the food situation.'

The statement announced further (Continued on Page Two)

BATTLE FOR POSSESSION OF THE FORTRESS OF PRZEMYSL STILL CENTER OF INTEREST

Situation in Middle Galicia Remains the War's Outstanding Feature-Heavy Fighting Between French and Germans Around Arras-French Claim Progress.

Reference is here made to the fact tinue to progress, the Germans admitthat carrying explosives on passenger ting tonight their evacuation of Ablain. But this is a small affair compared

The Germans and Austrians with an enormous weight of artillery continue to fight desperately in an effort to enused regarding what is considered as circle the fortress which is already reapparently the deliberate policy of Brit- ported to be under bombardment. The shipping companies to protect war armies on the San, North of Przemysl have, however, apparently received a check. The Russians, after driving them back across the San near Siensermany contends it is impossible laws, have now turned their attention

tanic regarding a proper supply of Southeast of Przemysl the Teutonic trenches at Ablain and are now holdboats and water tight bulkheads, which allies are meeting with more successes ing the entire village. are how a part of the American law, but their progress is not so rapid as it were the progress is not so rapid as it were observed in the case of the Lu- was recently and communications to Lemberg, which were reported to have

been severed remain intact. posals designed to end submarine war- Except for their admission of the fare, and the throttling of food sup- evacuation of Ablain which they say blies and other conditional contraband was carried out without the knowledge for German chair to for Germany are recalled. The gov-trament expresses the desire to know have repulsed all attacks along the what siene what steps, if any, have been taken western line. As the same claim is induce Great Britain to embark on made by the French, who also state we have made new progress. After opinion as to how to meet the demand, miral Moore at Honolulu to suspend effective to recover the basing repulsed with complete success but there was unanimous agreement. hegotications to this end, after Germany they have made further progress, the having repulsed with complete success but there was unanimous agreement forts to recover the bodies of the men connection he says:

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| Indicated her william to embark on made by the French, who also state having repulsed with complete success but there was unanimous agreement that it must be met before really great who went down in the submarine F-4

changed The delivery of the note to Ambas- It is not expected the French will delivery of the note to Ambas—
Special ceremony. A functionary of the Continued on Page Two)

A resolution presented by Fresheat to Water, has been brought to the dath of the Mark after the murder, occupied, according to the Mark any marked advance at one time at a first the greater part and then surface. The Navy Department wants after the murder, occupied, according to the United States, was adopted today to examine the boat for evidence of the for they are attacking strongly fortified positions which have to be taken to the first the greater part and then surface. The Navy Department wants after the murder, occupied, according to the United States, was adopted today (Continued on Page Two)

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London, May 29 .- The battle for the one by one in the face of innumerable fortress of Przemysl, in Middle Gali- and cleverly concealed machine guns. Outpost fighting contines along the cia, remains the war's outstanding fea- whole of the front of the Italo-Austure. There has been heavy fighting trian frontier. Bucharest reports imnorth of Arras, where the French con- portant negotiations are underway between Rumania and Bulgaria but their nature has not been disclosed.

the waters around the British isles, the with what is going on around Przemysl latest victims being the English steamher crew are missing. In the southwestern theatre the Austrian war office reports that several

naval airmen made a raid on Venice. dropping many bombs. An arsenal was damaged by fire and an explosion occurred in Fort Nicolo. No news of this raid has come through official Italian

New progress is reported by the settle the question whether proper to forces which crossed the river French war office to have been made to forces which crossed the river in the sector north of Arras. The in the sector north of Arras. The determined whether the regulations these the Austrians and Germans claim to have repulsed with complete success a German counter attack on the

FRENCH OFFICIAL REPORT.

Claims That Additional Progress Paris, May 29 .- The war office issued the fellowing official communication

"In the sector to the north of Arras Indicated her willingness to discuss a situation does not appear much the German counter attack reported that it must be met before really great this morning on our trenches at Ab- results are attained." lain we took the offensive and captur-

Will Solicit Assistance. Secretary McAdoo said he would urge upon the President the need of contin-German submarines are still busy in power to take affirmative action on the question of transportation, but that each country must be left to deal with

the matter in its own way. The "group committees" of the conference, which have done the real work, would be replaced, he added, with permanent committees in the United States. Frank A. Vanderlip, of the National City Bank, of New York, summarized the view of the United States representatives tonight in this statement:

have anticipated.

"The Pan-American conference was

"There was one point on which every member in attendance seemed to be agreed on and that was that the great- Before Any Effort Made to Recover est obstacle in the way of this trade development is a lack of transportation facilities. There were divisions of

A resolution presented by President