

TEXT OF GERMAN REPLY IS RECEIVED

GERMANY AGREES TO CHANGE METHOD OF U-BOAT WARFARE

DEMANDS THAT ENGLAND ABIDE BY THE LAWS

CONCEDES FULLY TO WILSON'S CONTENTION REGARDING MERCHANTMEN AND FREIGHTERS. FREEDOM OF THE SEAS ASSURED

Note Repeatedly Insists That the United States Call England to Book for Violations of the International Law in the Past.

(By United Press)
Berlin, May 5.—Germany has yielded practically every demand Wilson made regarding a complete change of Germany's submarine warfare. Every possibility of a diplomatic break apparently has averted. Germany concedes fully to Wilson's contention that no merchantman, passenger or freighter shall be sunk without warning either within or without the war zone unless they offer resistance or attempt to escape. It says that it expects the United States to bring England to terms and if this cannot be done, "reserves the right to liberty of action."

New York, May 5.—The text of the German reply, received by wireless from Berlin today, indicates in its early portions, a temporizing answer to America's demands that "present submarine warfare be discontinued if diplomatic relations between two nations be maintained."

The reply declined to admit the torpedoing of the Sussex and declared that Germany "must emphatically repudiate the assertion that the German government thinks it of little avail to enter into details in the present stage of affairs. The note adds: 'More particularly as the United States omitted to substantiate the assertion by reference to concrete facts.'"

Germany expresses implicit confidence in the good faith of naval officers in carrying out submarine instructions. The note also pointedly emphasizes England's "violations of international law" and expresses regret that America has not taken steps to bring England to book as she has Germany.

It reiterates statements of previous notes to the effect that Germany stands ready to observe the principles of international law fully if England will also indicate her willingness to abandon starvation and other allied illegal methods of warfare. It says that if the investigation now progressing shows that a German submarine torpedoed the Sussex, fullest amends will be made. It also declares that Germany frequently proposed suggestions that if adopted, would minimize the dangers of travelers on ships, but "unfortunately the United States declined not to accept the proposals."

It again declares that Great Britain, and not Germany, by ignoring all of the accepted rules of international law, extended the terrible war to lives and property of non-combatants. As matters now stand, Germany cannot but reiterate the regret that the sentiment of humanity which America extends with such fervor to the unhappy victims of submarine warfare were not extended with the same fervor to the many millions of women and children, who, according to the avowed intention of Britain, shall be starved, thereby forcing the victorious armies of the central empires into ignominious capitulation.



WATER SCARCE FOR TROOPS IN MEXICO

Soldiers drawing water from an improvised well dug in the ground at field headquarters. American expeditionary force in Mexico. Scarcity of water is one of the many serious problems that confront the leaders of the expedition. Great care is taken in determining the purity of streams before permitting the soldiers to drink the water.

Daniels-Fiske Quarrel Likely To Start Probe

Washington, May 5.—The possibility that a naval court of inquiry may be the outcome of the quarrel between Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske and Secretary of the Navy Daniels is widely discussed today. Secretary Daniels now has before him the letter of Rear Admiral Fiske made public today by the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, in which the Admiral substantially accuses the Secretary of misstatements. Navy Department officials indicate that if Secretary Daniels desires to be vindicated there should be a court of inquiry to determine whether Admiral Fiske has violated navy regulations or is guilty of conduct unbecoming an officer.

Another suggestion today was that the Senate might conduct an inquiry. Guilty of Sniping. In making public the letter, Senator Tillman, chairman of the Naval Affairs Committee, asserted Admiral Fiske has been guilty of "sniping or guerrilla warfare." "It would be easy to show from official records," said Senator Tillman on the floor of the Senate, "how unreasonable and unjustifiable Rear Admiral Fiske's utterances and attitude are. The Secretary of the Navy has nothing to conceal and courts an investigation if one is demanded."

NEW RAILROAD FROM KINSTON

(By Eastern Press)
Kinston, May 5.—The Duplin Railroad Company, capital \$150,000, has received its charter and will start work in a very short time upon the completion of a railroad from this city to Wilmington.

Left it to the Chaplain. "Very touching at times," says Dean Wellson in his reminiscences, "is the simple confidence of the soldiers in the chaplain as their friend and their guide. One of the chaplains whom I knew well related to me the following story: There came to him a Tommy, who said that he wanted to be married. The chaplain congratulated him, and asked him when he would like the marriage to take place. The soldier answered: 'I leave that to you, sir.' The chaplain was a little taken back, but he ventured to ask further who the soldier's fiancée might be, and again the reply was, 'I leave that to you, sir.' 'Fuller trust both no man than this.'"

BUY A DOZEN BOTTLES OF "BIS-MAC."

"BIS-MAC" CONTAINS NO HARMFUL SUBSTANCES.

Report Brandeis Nomination Soon. Washington, May 5.—Informal conferences among Democratic senators today disclosed that the Judiciary committee next week may report the nomination of Louis D. Brandeis for the Supreme Court to the Senate without recommendation. Opposition to the nomination in the committee is declared to remain formidable.

"BIS-MAC" IS A FATTENER AND BODY BUILDER.

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NO COMMENT ON THE NOTE BY CABINET

APPEAR TO BELIEVE, HOWEVER THAT DEMANDS OF U. S. HAVE BEEN MET.

SARCASTIC TONE CAUSES WORRY

Insistence That America Bring England to Book for Alleged Violations of International Law is a Strong Feature of the Note.

By R. J. BENDER, United Press Staff Correspondent. Washington, May 5.—Within ten minutes after the final vital paragraphs of the German reply reached them, the cabinet convened. Although refusing to comment until the official text is received, they appeared to believe that America's demands have been met. However, there is some degree of uncertainty in view of the sarcastic tone and the insistence that America now bring England to book for alleged violations of international law.

Willis Loses To Hansen

Local Boy Lost Last Night's Match in Two Straight Falls.

Fritz Hansen, who met Joe Willis on the mat at the armory last night, proved to be too much of a match for the local boy and won the bout in two straight falls, the first being secured with a jiu-jitsu arm lock in 32 minutes, Willis being forced to yield, and the second with another arm lock in 12 minutes. Hansen proved to be a steady and unimpeachable kind of a worker, and the match seemed slow as compared with some of those that have seen here this season. He showed himself to be an exceptionally clever man, however, and is Willis' superior both in strength and skill.

BOY WITHOUT HANDS, BECOMES FINE PENMAN

Carlisle, Pa., May 5.—Born without hands, Luther Cranford, president of West Fairview Borough council, is able to write a fine style of penmanship and shorthand, run a typewriter, shoot pool or do anything that a man with the full complement of fingers can do. He is 42 years old. The only assistance which he has in holding a pen is a small piece of flesh which could scarcely be termed a finger. He has been a bookkeeper for ten years, can write twenty-five words per minute on a typewriter and one hundred words per minute in shorthand. He is a noted gunner, canoeist and boatman and is one of the best pool shots in the county.

BELIMO THEATRE REOPENS.

The Belimo Theatre reopened last night and judging from the large crowd that attended this theatre is highly appreciated by the local movie picture fans. The program was interesting throughout and was greatly enjoyed. The manager of this house has secured one of the best serial pictures ever produced which will start Tuesday, May 16th. The title of this picture is "The Mysteries of Myra" and is guaranteed to be the most interesting serial picture ever shown on a screen in this city.

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CHIEF OF THE CHOCTAWS



Victor M. Locke of Antlers, Okla., principal chief of the Choctaw tribe of Indians, takes care of his 20,799 people. He has succeeded in having Congress pass a bill paying to each man, woman and child of the tribe \$300 of money owing them. This job out of the way, he enrolled for the first military camp at Plattsburg, N. Y., beginning June 5.

4 MORE REBELS SHOT TO DEATH

Other Rebels Were Also Sentenced to Death But Had Sentence Commuted.

(By United Press)
London, May 5.—Joseph Plunkett, Edward Daly, Michael O'Hannahan and William Pearce, have been convicted and shot as Irish rebels. Fifteen other rebels were sentenced to death but their sentences were commuted to ten years imprisonment. Two other rebels were sentenced to imprisonment for the same length of time. Another has been sentenced to eight years.

ANOTHER ZEPPELIN IS DESTROYED

(By United Press)
London, May 5.—A Zeppelin was destroyed by an Irish cruiser today off Schleswig, the admiralty announced. This makes the thirtieth that has been destroyed.

ONE MORE DAY AND CONTEST WILL BE OVER

GREAT EXCITEMENT IS EVINCED AS THE TIME OF CLOSING DRAWS NEAR.

THOSE BEHIND CAN STILL WIN

The Work Done Today and Tomorrow Will Undoubtedly Decide the Winners of the Great Free Trips That Are Offered as First Prizes.

Last call in the big voting campaign for trips and prizes.

Tomorrow (Saturday) at nine o'clock in the evening the campaign will come to a close.

The closing rifles have been published in the paper and also mailed to each contestant so each and every one will avoid mistakes that might cause the loss of votes.

An hour or so after nine o'clock the results of the contest will be announced and the prizes awarded. Some ladies will be made happy for some time to come, while others will regret that they failed to improve these last few hours of the contest.

Last Word.

There remains just one thing that you can do, and that is to get subscriptions. Work as you never worked before and see everyone that might help you even to the smallest degree. Do not confine your work to friends and acquaintances but go after everyone you see of meat.

This is the eleventh hour, and the last chance that you have to appeal to your close friends.

Go to them before it is too late. Get several of them to act together and make up some big subscriptions. You will need a little strong support of that kind and you will win if you make a good finish.

Final Offer. For the remainder of the contest the following offer is made. There will be no further change of any kind.

Each club of six dollars worth of subscriptions will earn sixty thousand extra votes.

The Prizes.

There are six big summer vacation trips. One for each of the five districts, and one of the ladies may take a companion with her. The candidates having the highest vote of all will be awarded the extra trip.

Also there are five gold watches, one for each district. And five diamond lavallieres, one to be awarded in each of the five contest districts.

The watches and lavallieres were purchased of and may be seen at the jewelry stores of the following: R. L. Stewart, J. B. Campbell, Wm. Bell.

NEW CONSCRIPTION BILL PASSES ITS FIRST READING

Calls to Colors All Men in England Between Ages of 18 and 41, Whether They be Married or Not

London, May 5.—The bill for general conscription, extending compulsory service to married men, was introduced in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon and, after some debate, passed its first reading amid much cheering.

All men, married or unmarried, between eighteen and forty-one years old, are included in this measure.

In addition to calling to the colors all time-expired men, it provides that men who have previously been declared unfit for military duty must be re-examined.

It is estimated the new measure will increase the British army by about 500,000 men.

G. N. Barnes, a Laborite, spoke in favor of the measure, saying if the country had known the gigantic task confronting the allies eighteen months ago compulsory military service would have been accepted without a protest.

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NEW THEATRE

TO-NIGHT the celebrated actress Clara Kimball Young and Wilton Lackaye, the foremost stage star, in "TRILBY"

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