

WILSON DETERMINED TO MAKE NOTE HOLEPROOF.

No Unnecessary Delay in Replying to German Communication.

OUTLOOK IS HOPEFUL

President Not Pleased With Efforts of Some to Tell Him What He Will Write.

Washington, June 7.—President Wilson let it be known today that the note the United States is to send to Germany with respect to submarine war are had been prepared with the utmost expedition and had not been subject to an hour's unnecessary delay since it was first drafted.

The President's desire to have the document state explicitly the position of the United States so that it cannot possibly be misunderstood abroad or invite protracted discussion is chiefly responsible for the fact that the note has not gone.

Legal officers of the Government examined the note today and sent it back to the President with some changes. It may require further consideration by the President and his Cabinet tomorrow and high officials did not know tonight just when it would be cabled.

Questions of such serious moment are involved that the President is anxious that the communication not only shall meet his own wishes, but be unimpeachable from the point of view of international law experts.

While the President has been at work on the document, special Government agents have corroborated in every detail the statement of the first American note that the Lusitania was unarmed. At the same time Myer Gerhard, personal envoy of Count von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador has been voyaging to Germany carrying important messages from the German Embassy concerning the American point of view on submarine warfare.

Merely Coincidence.

Gerhard's trip, however, was declared in high official quarters, to have been merely a coincidence and in no way to have influenced the progress of the note.

When the document is made public, officials said, it not only would satisfy American public opinion, but would place squarely before Germany the issue as to whether the Imperial Government intends to adhere to hitherto-accepted principles of international law on maritime warfare.

The President has been displeased by numerous detailed accounts that have been published of what the note would contain when he himself had not settled finally on its contents. He is anxious that misconceptions of the position of the United States shall not be cabled abroad, and that the American people shall suspend judgment until they read the text.

The general view in German quarters here is that the recent trend of

events gives hopes of a friendly adjustment. This is based not alone on the probable course of the German side of the negotiations, but also on the American course, which is regarded as developing along lines which will permit of a satisfactory conclusion.

From German Viewpoint.

As to the Lusitania, the German position thus far has been that she was an armed ship. But when the United States Government states definitely that its official information shows the ship was unarmed, when it is suggested that the Berlin authorities will be in a position to accept this positive assurance from a friendly Government notwithstanding any report Germany may have to the contrary.

The recent von Jagow note, it is pointed out, was predicted on the view that the Lusitania was an armed ship, but did not assert the principle that unarmed passenger ships could be similarly sunk. It is maintained therefore that the principle of immunity to unarmed passenger ships is one which could be accepted by Germany as consistent with her attitude up to this time, and would give the largest measure of protection to Americans in the future. Such an agreement on the status of the Lusitania and the principle to govern unarmed passenger ships, it is generally admitted, would pave the way for a much wider adjustment of all the various conflicts which have arisen over American ships and the safety of the seas and the hope is expressed that this larger adjustment might even in turn lead to the supreme question of bringing the warring nations to peace.

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GOD'S OWN COUNTRY.

To The Editor of The Press.

Dear Sir:—I was born in Germany. I am a citizen of this, our glorious country, the United States. I am married to an American-born woman. I never tire of telling my children that this is God's own country, the best country to live in. For this, our country, I'd shoulder a gun at the drop of the hat against any country, including Germany. The latter has my sympathy, but my love lies right here.

W. S. H.

Philadelphia, May 25, 1915.

TALESMEN ARE ALL AT FRONT.

Brescia, via Chiasso, to Paris, June 8.—Owing to the fact that all talesmen on the three jury lists are now serving at the front the Assize court has been unable to sit. It is expected that the trial at Como next month of Porter Charlton, an American, charged with the murder of his wife, will have to be postponed.

REQUEST HOUSTON TO CALL CONVENTION TO CONSIDER TARE EVIL.

North Carolina Asks That It be Made International.

INJUSTICE IS BEING DONE.

Foreign Consumers of Cotton Deduct About 20 Pounds to the Bale.

PEOPLE ARE WITH WILSON.

Senator Gattie Thinks People Are Standing With The President.

Rather Than Mr. Bryan—Pharmacy Examinations.

Raleigh, June 11.—North Carolina will ask Secretary Houston, of the department of agriculture to invite an international convention of the cotton interests of the world, including producers, spinners, merchants and exchanges for the purposes of ridding this country of the tare evil.

The members of the board of agriculture passed yesterday evening a resolution of Dr. Clarence Poe directing the secretary of agriculture to the injustice in the amount of the deduction for ties and bagging on cotton bales. It appears that consumers on the other side have not changed the standard weight since 1865, pretty near the date that North Carolina changed her constitution. At that time the bagging and ties on a bale of 350 pounds of lint cotton amounted to six per cent of the total which was equivalent to 21 to 22 pounds. Since that time the bale has been greatly increased until the same figuring will cause a loss of 30 pounds or about \$1 on a bale. On 15,000,000 bale crop it will be seen to amount to a considerable loss.

The bagging and tie question has figured much in state and nation but no program for reduction has worked out. Harvey Jordan and Senator Smith did a good deal of intelligent agitating on this subject, but nothing to make Liverpool loosen up was ever worked out. The board of agriculture did not mention this subject in its deliberations here yesterday and the day before but Major W. A. Graham, commissioner of agriculture, today forwarded a strong letter to Secretary Houston calling upon him to take the international convention idea up.

Major Graham's Letter.

The text of Major Graham's letter is as follows:

June 11, 1915.

Hon. D. H. Houston, Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

"Dear Sir:—By direction of the North Carolina board of agriculture, I present the accompanying resolution, and with it desire to say that prior to 1865 the weight of a bale of cotton was generally 350 pounds. The bagging and ties then, as now weighed 21 to 22 pounds, that is, six per cent, and that amount was fixed by the Liverpool authorities on this subject as the tare. Since that time the weight of the bale has been increased to 500 pounds or more, but the six per cent is still fixed as the tare, which is 30 pounds or about eight pounds more than the actual weight of the tare or practically a dollar a bale. This is fixed at Liverpool and is deducted in fixing the price, so there is no remedy available in the states, and any law by a state, if enforced, would only add to the amount.

"It is an international question, and so far as I can see can only be arranged by an international convention as is proposed. The south is interested vitally in the matter and we would be glad to have the department move in the matter of redress.

"This injustice is not practiced on any other nation, but tare is only the actual weight. The farmer is entitled to pay for every pound of his lint cotton, and that is all that he desires.

"The plan was endorsed by the Association of Southern Agricultural Workers in 1913, and also by the Association of Commissioners of the Southern States.

"As the matter relates almost wholly to the United States, it should call and pay the expenses of the convention."

Yours very truly, W. A. GRAHAM, Commissioner.

WHAT WAS IT?

Guess what he had in his pocket—Marbles and tops and sundry toys, Such as always belong to boys, A bitter apple, a leather ball? Not at all.

What did he have in his pocket—A bubble pipe and a rusty screw, A brass watch key broken in two, A fishhook in a tangle of string? No such thing.

What did he have in his pocket—Gingerbread crumbs, a whistle he made, Buttons, a knife with a broken blade, A nail or two, with a rubber gun? Neither one.

What did he have in his pocket—Before he knew it, it slyly crept Under the treasurers carefully kept, And away they all of them quickly stole. 'Twas a hole. —Selected.

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ALL I ASK.

(Alfred Hustwick, in Los Angeles Times.)

When I revert to that dumb dust From which my frame was wrought Returning all I hold in trust, This life, that came unsought; It cannot matter that my name Shall scarce outlive my breath, For I would have small use for fame When I am cold in death.

Time mocks those tardy crowns we place Upon the martyred head, When we, to cover our disgrace, Make idols of our dead; The stately monuments we rear, The unctuous praise we give, Are less to them than one true tear Wept for them while they live.

So I desire no storied stone, To stand my grave above, From life I ask one gift alone, The constancy of life; For being loved, and loving well, Is kingly happiness; If crowned in living hearts I dwell, In death I'll not be less.

A CRY FOR HELP.

Good advertising benefits any form of business. The right sort of advertising gives you a friendly feeling toward a firm. It makes you believe that it will be both pleasant and profitable to deal with the advertiser says the Youth' Companion. A certain grocer once inserted in the newspapers an advertisement that had this merit. It ran: "Twins are come to me for the third time. This time a boy and a girl. I beseech my friends to support me stoutly."

HIS WAY OF PUTTING IT.

John had worked two years for a corporation and decided to retire. In consideration of his long and faithful service the company arranged to give him a sum of money and asked the German foreman to present it to him in a little speech. Accordingly the foreman said: "John, you haf worked fo dis gompany more ash forty years?" "Yes."

"And you vos going to kvit?" "Yes."

"Vell deg gompany vos so glad dey asked me to hand you dis hundred dollars."

PRICES HARDEN.

"When water becomes ice," asked the teacher, "what is the great change that takes place?" "The greatest change, ma'am," said the little boy, "is the change in price."

—Ladies' Home Journal.

The President has shown that he can be patient, and now he will show that he can be firm. And no man ought ever to be president who has not these two qualities.

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EVANS WINS ANOTHER FINE VICTORY FOR MORGANTON.

Morganton, June 11.—Coolmees secured Weaversville college battery for today's game and gave the locals a real tussle and the fans were thrilled for the first time this season for it was anybody's game until the visitors had gone to bat for the last time, the final score being 3 to 1 in favor of Morganton. Winston started with a home run and Hasteley hit the pill for three bases. Evans was on the firing line for the locals and had 10 strike-outs to his credit. Chambers for the visitors made only four fan the air. Morganton secured 3 runs, 7 hits and made 2 errors; while Coolmees secured only 1 run, 7 hits and made 2 errors.

WHITE-BALLED.

"Well, Rastus," said the colonel, "I understand your club has declined to admit Julius to membership." "That's a fact, Kuhnle," returned the old darkey. "Ah dunno what de objection to Julius was, but when dey come to vote, dey done white-balled him."—Judge.

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