

DIPLOMATIC BREAK NOT PROBABLE NOW

WHAT APPEARS TO BE OPINION OF SITUATION

IDENT WILL BE MADE IN A FEW DAYS

Text of the German Placed Before Him, Studied Carefully.

THE VIEWS OF CABINET MEMBERS

Editorial Opinions Suggest Deemed Satisfactory Temporarily.

May 6.—The official text of the latest note on the subject was ready to be laid before Wilson today. It is a carefully worded and code book late to prepare copies of the note and his advisers.

The document contains essential news from the unofficial sources in press dispatches. Yesterday, it is considered that the threatened break in relations with Germany will be temporary, at least.

Attention will be given to the text to discover even shades of which have been obscured in news dispatches. Cabinet members were asked by the press to give attention to the text. Their opinions will be sought in formal decisions is reached.

Official officials stated that a diplomatic break would be given a demonstration her assurances that commanders have been ordered to sink merchant vessels.

They based their press records of the war. There was apparent today in editorial opinions on the note. Many of these suggestions should be considered temporarily, pending the German's promise "to do its part" in the operations of the war.

It is of his duration, to the interest of the belligerents. It is a diplomatic break. They pointed to the tendency to qualify the submarine as a condition concerning the British naval warfare.

Text About Same. May 6.—The official note, fully decoded by President Wilson today, material differences from the text published yesterday.

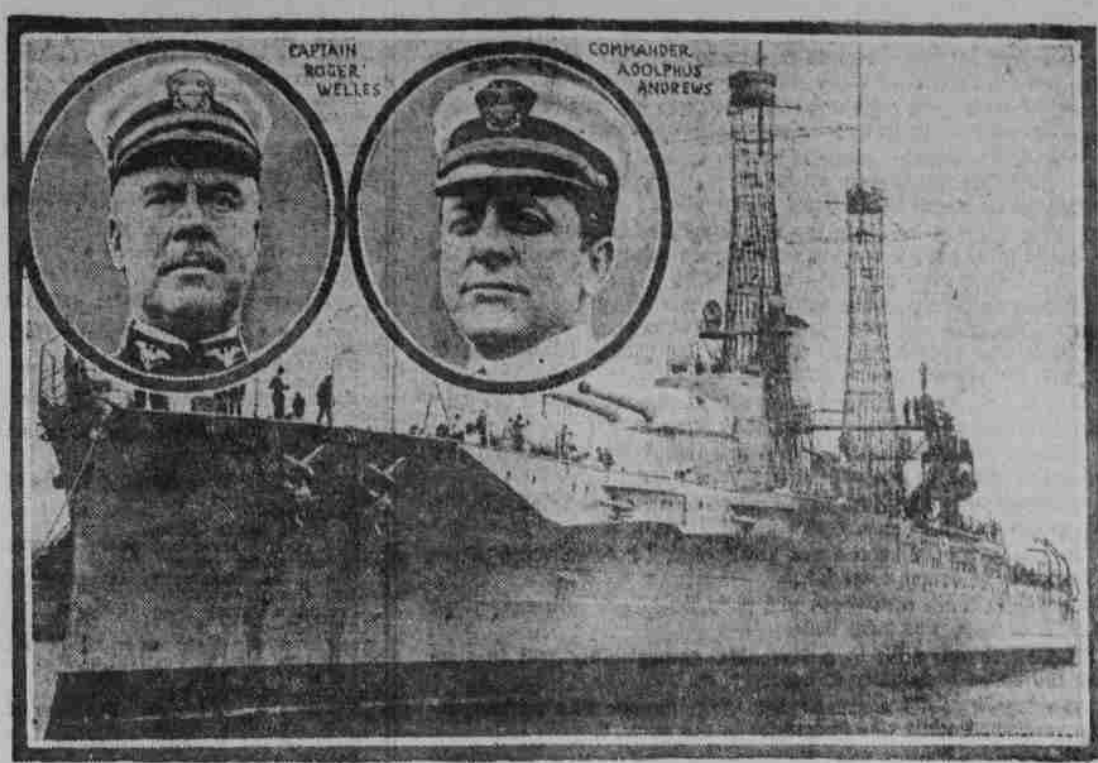
This strengthened the belief that a diplomatic break is at least for the present. The official note is a study of the note by cabinet members and officials did not break in diplomatic relations unless there were further violation of international law.

It is a possibility that the United States may make a brief reply to the Berlin government that the new orders to submarines are fully observed. Relations will not be discussed on that score.

Landing already had started and was going over it carefully today. There were further consideration that would not be necessary.

Returned to the embassy in New York. He said he had had no reason to visit the government in connection with the case unless he were invited or by his government to do so. Ambassador's view that the United States asked, unchanged.

NEW LEVIATHAN OF THE AMERICAN NAVY



The Oklahoma, 27,000 tons displacement, 583 feet long, is the new leviathan of the American navy. She has just been commissioned and is ready. The vessel carries ten 14-inch guns like the Nevada and the Texas, thus making them the greatest battleships in the world with the exception of the five ships of the Queen Elizabeth type, built by Great Britain. They carry 15-inch guns. This photograph shows the vessel as she steamed into Philadelphia. Captain Roger Welles is commander of the vessel, and Lieutenant Commander Adolphus Andrews is the navigating officer.

FORCES RENEW HEAVY FIRING ABOUT VERDUN

SANTO DOMINGO SITUATION GRAVE

Report From Rear Admiral Caperton Advises the Navy Department of Conditions.

Washington, May 6.—Rear Admiral Caperton, in charge of the American forces at Santo Domingo and Haiti, today advised the navy department that the situation in Santo Domingo in the revolt against President Jimenez was grave. Admiral Caperton did not report the landing of marines to guard the American legation. He said he had a conference with several Dominican officials.

Secretary Daniels said Admiral Caperton had full authority to land marines or to take any other steps necessary to preserve order.

Hostilities Suspended. Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, May 6.—The hostilities which broke out here yesterday, the outgrowth of an attempt to overthrow the administration of President Jimenez, resulting in several persons being killed or wounded, were suspended today.

Members of the diplomatic corps are endeavoring to effect an amicable solution of the troubles here. The republic, outside of Santo Domingo, remains quiet.

Senators Dispersed. Port-au-Prince, Haiti, May 6.—Members of the Haitian senate who persisted in holding a meeting in spite of the warning of Admiral Caperton, in command of the American forces here, were dispersed by a detachment of gendarmes under the command of an American officer. The senators protested, but offered no resistance.

GERMANS AGAIN ON OFFENSIVE IN THAT LOCALITY

They Have Just Brought Up a Fresh Division West of the Meuse, Says Dispatch.

SOME TRENCHES ARE EVACUATED BY FRENCH

Paris Report, However, Says That Efforts of Germans to Advance Were Checked.

Heavy fighting has been resumed in the Verdun region with the Germans again on the offensive west of the Meuse. They have brought up a fresh division and apparently made a new concentration of heavy artillery. Instead of attacking Dead Man's Hill, around which the battle has raged recently, they now are directing their attention to the somewhat higher eminence known as Hill 304, to the southwest towards Avocourt on the French left flank.

The afternoon bulletin of the Paris war office admits the unusually violent bombardment caused the French to evacuate a part of their trenches on the northern slope of the hill. It declares, however, that the efforts of the Germans to advance were checked by the fire of the French artillery and that the fresh troops the German Crown Prince threw into the fray, suffered heavy losses.

The attacks of the Germans north and northwest of Hill 304 were pushed so close to the French defenses that bayonets had to be used to repel the assaults. Yesterday's reports in regard to the destruction of three Zeppelins are followed today by a dispatch from Dutch sources announcing that the Zeppelin L-3 had been sighted, floating low across the North Sea, apparently badly crippled.

The executions of participants in the Irish rebellion are being continued, the eighth man to suffer the death penalty being Major James McBride, who fought thru the Boer war against the British and afterwards married Maud Gonne, widely known in connection with the Irish Home Rule agitation.

Norway has protested to the British and French governments against their action in seizing Norwegian mails. Similar protests have been made by the United States and Holland.

PRESIDENT OF L. AND N. ON STAND

Reads Into the Record a Mass of Testimony About the Road's Operation.

Washington, May 6.—What Milton H. Smith, president of the Louisville & Nashville Railway, thinks of the Interstate Commission's two reports to the senate on the road's affairs, he read into the record today in the Commission's investigation. It dealt in great detail with the technical, financial and commercial affairs in the road's operation for thirty years.

Mr. Smith entered upon his cross-examination with the reading of his paper, the Joseph W. Folk, the Commission's counsel, objected. "I have not finished with this witness," he told Chairman Meyers, "and will not finish with him until the court has determined if he must answer my question as to campaign contributions. I hold that he is now in contempt of this Commission and that his cross-examination should not be permitted until he has purged himself of this contempt."

E. S. Joust, of the Louisville & Nashville counsel, admitted Mr. Folk's right to recall the witness later and Chairman Meyers permitted the cross-examination to proceed.

Mr. Folk announced that he would place on the witness stand this afternoon W. P. G. Harding, a member of the Federal Reserve Board, to explain the circumstances under which the L. & N. loaned the state of Alabama \$249,000 in 1912 thru the First National Bank of Birmingham, of which Mr. Harding was then president.

NO VERDICT YET IN MONROE JOHNSON CASE.

Greensboro, May 6.—The jury took the case of Monroe Johnson, charged with the murder of Carl Preddy, today at one o'clock and has not yet returned a verdict.

Notable Tribute By Members of House to Former Speaker

Party Lines Disappear In Observance of "Uncle Joe" Cannon's Eightieth Birthday—Responds to the Expression of Good Wishes By House Members

Washington, May 6.—Party lines disappeared in the House today when, during the first hour of its regular session, members joined in paying a tribute to "Uncle" Joe Cannon, former speaker, who will be eighty years old tomorrow. Never before in the history of the House had an hour of the working session been set aside to honor a living member.

Speaker Clark, in a humorous and friendly speech, termed Mr. Cannon "one of the top-notch class of mental pugilists." He also wrote into the record for posterity that once, during a debate, with his own eyes he saw Mr. Cannon perform the unusual feat of describing a complete circle on one heel.

Still carrying himself as straight as an Indian and as ruddy-cheeked as a school girl, Mr. Cannon marched down the center aisle of the House and delivered a speech of appreciation filled with reminiscences of other days. Mr. Cannon was quick to observe the non-partisan character of the occasion in his opening words of appreciation.

"This is a sample of non-partisanship of the House," he said. "I can say with the Psalmist, 'the lines have fallen unto me in pleasant places,'

EXPECT CHAMP CLARK TO BE THE CHAIRMAN

Washington, May 6.—Martin H. Glynn, former governor of New York, for temporary chairman, and Champ Clark, speaker of the House of Representatives, for permanent chairman.

This is the tentative plan of President Wilson's political managers for the Democratic national convention at St. Louis. It developed that it has the approval of the President.

The President's political managers indicate that they are counting on Speaker Clark accepting the permanent chairmanship. As temporary chairman, former Governor Glynn would make the "keynote" speech of the convention.

FORECAST FOR WEEK BY WEATHER BUREAU

Washington, May 6.—Temperatures above the seasonal average are indicated for the Middle Atlantic and Gulf States in the weather bureau's forecast for the week beginning tomorrow.

By the middle of the week local showers and thunder storms are probable over the central valleys and the Plains States, and the latter part of the week, in the Middle Atlantic States and thruout the South.

The weather will be generally fair the first half of the week thruout the Southern States.

UNION COUNTY CITIZENS ENDORSE MR. BICKETT.

Monroe, May 6.—A mass meeting of Union county citizens enthusiastically and unanimously endorsed the candidacy of Hon. T. W. Bickett for governor. Mr. Bickett was born and reared in Union county. Over five hundred were present.

IRISH SECRETARY QUILTS



Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons a few days ago that Augustine Birrell, secretary for Ireland in his cabinet, had resigned. The Irish have been very much opposed to the policy of Birrell.

HAL CHASE LEADS BATTERS WITH .458

Ty Cobb's Percentage Is Now .347—Big League Averages in Various Lines Given.

Chicago, May 6.—Hal Chase, of Cincinnati, is leading the National League batters with a percentage of .458, according to averages published here today, and including games of last Wednesday. Other leading hitters are Daubert, of Brooklyn, .422; McHenry, of Cincinnati, .400; Robertson, of New York, .376; and Alexander, of Philadelphia, .375.

Leading National League pitchers, ranked according to earned runs, are: Meadows, of St. Louis; Pfeffer, of Brooklyn; McConnell, of Chicago; Kane, of Pittsburgh, and Alexander, of Philadelphia.

In the American League, Ty Cobb is rapidly moving to the front, having a percentage of .374. Dubeck, of Detroit, is leading the league with .444. Other leaders are Henry, of Washington, .403; Clocote, of Washington, .400; Burns, of Detroit, .375; H. Coveleskie, of Detroit, with .364.

Leading American League pitchers, ranked according to earned runs, are: G. Williams, of Chicago; Leonard, of Boston; Markle, of New York; Russell, of Chicago, and Klepper, of Cleveland.

CHARTER FOR COMMERCIAL CLUB OF HIGH POINT

Raleigh, May 6.—The Commercial Club, Inc. of High Point, is chartered with capital of \$125,000 authorized and \$2,000 subscribed by C. F. Tomlinson, T. B. Gilliam, R. B. Terry and others for the furtherance of commercial and social interests of the High Point business community.

Death Sentence Executed.

Dublin, (By way of London), May 6.—It was officially announced today that Major John McBride, the eighth leader of the Sinn Fein rebellion, suffered death by sentence of court martial.

CALLS VETERANS TO THE ANNUAL REUNION.

General Julian S. Carr, in his capacity as Commander of the Army of Northern Virginia, United Confederate Veterans, has issued general orders No. 1 calling on the division commanders of Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina to prepare their commands for the reunion at Birmingham May 16, 17, 18.

CENTENNIAL OF M. E. CHURCH TO BE CELEBRATED

Nashville, Tenn., May 6.—The board of missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, adjourned last night after adopting the plan for the celebration in 1919 of the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the first Methodist mission society in America. Bishop E. E. Hendrix was named to present the plans to the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now in session at Saratoga, N. Y.

The week preceding Easter was set aside as the annual week of prayer and self-denial for the cause of missions.

Mr. John M. Moore, secretary of the home department, was instructed to prepare for general distribution tracts dealing with the fundamentals of Christian doctrine and Methodist belief.

Rev. J. W. Stowe, reporting on the work of the home department, asked that a committee be named to harmonize all home mission agencies, and Bishop James Atkins, Dr. W. A. Christian, Dr. W. F. McMurray and Dr. F. S. Harker were appointed.

Mrs. T. H. E. Ross, treasurer of the woman's department of the board, reported that receipts for foreign work were \$292,841; for home work \$199,233, and \$3,658 for the Searritt-Bibbe school, a total of \$495,732. There is a balance of \$118,524.

The report of the home committee recommended that China and the Mexican field in Texas be continued in 1917 as special objectives for missionary work of the Sunday schools and in 1918, this attention be turned to the Japan missions. A special commission of five was appointed to study the subject of self-support of mission churches at home and abroad. Sanction was given funds to purchase a steamboat for mission work on the Upper Congo.

The board acted favorably on the report of Mrs. H. W. McDonnell, of the home department of women's work, which asked for approximately \$150,000 for the work of the department for the coming year.

ALLEGHANY WILL VOTE ON BOND ISSUE FOR RAILROAD

Sparta, May 6.—The county commissioners have ordered an election for the 10th of June to decide whether Alleghany shall issue \$600,000 additional bonds to the Elkin & Alleghany railway, \$2,000 to be issued for each mile built in the county, and the whole to be completed by December 31, 1920, or the bonds forfeited. It is estimated that it will take half the amount or a distance of 15 miles to build the road to Sparta, and the other half from Sparta westward thru the county.