



GERMANY HAS UNTIL END OF THE WEEK TO FORWARD SATISFACTORY ANSWER

WHETHER THERE IS TO BE A BREAK OR NOT NOW DEPENDS ENTIRELY UPON THE GOVERNMENT AT BERLIN

WASHINGTON AWAITS GERMANY'S DECISION

The Next Three or Four Days Expected to Definitely Answer the Question.

CONGRESS IS IMPRESSED

The Grave Situation is Reflected Throughout the Government. May Include Consuls.

(By the Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The United States government having said its last word to Germany in the submarine controversy, turned today with grave expectancy to Berlin, where rests the decision whether the imperial government will abandon its methods of submarine warfare or break with Washington.

President Wilson will probably wait until the end of the week for Germany to reply to his virtual ultimatum. Although there is no time limit set, President Wilson is known to hold the opinion that three or four days is a reasonable period to allow to Germany for a decision.

If none is forthcoming within a reasonable time the step accomplishing a break in relations, with all its grave possibilities, will be taken. Ambassador von Bernstorff will receive his passports and American Ambassador Gerard, at Berlin, will be instructed to come home.

Congress assembled today impressed with the deep significance of the President's action.

The President's word to Congress took on force of meaning when with the publication of the note to Germany almost identical in outline and phrase revealed in what unmistakable terms the American government has declared itself.

Count von Bernstorff, who has been optimistic throughout the long negotiations that have now approached a crisis, was hopeful that his government would find a way to prevent a break in relations.

Last night the ambassador sent a long message to Berlin in which he is said to have recommended some assurances as were given regarding the submarine operations in the Mediterranean now should be thrown around all submarine operations.

Secretary Lansing said early today that Ambassador Gerard had not up to that time notified the state department of the receipt of the American note. Neither had Mr. Gerard reported having received from the German foreign office another memorandum on the Sussex case, as had been reported here.

Whether all of Germany's consuls and consular agents would be dismissed and such American consular representatives in Germany recalled in case diplomatic relations are severed was discussed by state department officials. It was stated that a rupture would not necessarily extend to the consuls.

HARDER TO GET OUT OF MEXICO THAN IN

Fears Are Expressed That Serious Trouble Will Follow An Order to Withdraw.

STRENGTHENING POSITIONS

The Period of Waiting Being Used to Prepare For Any Possible Trouble.

(By the Associated Press.)

El Paso, Tex., April 20.—While the American punitive expedition is marking time today in its pursuit of Villa, efforts are being made to strengthen the army bases and the lines of communication.

Fears are openly expressed by army officers that should an order come for the withdrawal of the American troops, the Villa and other marauding bands will raise the cry that the Americans are in retreat, with the result that the American troops will be subjected to constant night attacks and sniping. To prevent such warfare against his columns, General Pershing is preparing to be in a position to move his force in large units. The belief is general at Fort Bliss that the troops will encounter more difficulty in withdrawing than they did in the rapid drive southward. No word has come from General Cavazos, who, with Colonel Carranza, was reported to have gone to bring back the supposed body of Villa. Officers of the Juarez garrison hear that General Cavazos and his command have been ambushed.

A dispatch from Chihuahua says that the Parral district is quiet, and that Villa has passed on into Durango, many miles from the nearest American column now resting near Parral.

MRS. J. B. TOMLINSON DIED EARLY TODAY; FUNERAL FRIDAY

Mrs. Leonia Tomlinson, wife of J. B. Tomlinson, died at her home at 602 Willowbrook street at 12:30 this morning from a complication of diseases. The funeral services will be held at the South Main Street Methodist church Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with the pastor, Rev. H. H. Robbins, in charge.

Mrs. Tomlinson was 48 years, 7 months and 10 days of age at the time of her death. She is survived by her husband; two sons, J. W. and Bascom; three daughters, Misses Vallah, Hazel and Berta; three brothers, Geo. T. Penny, R. D. Penny and James I. Penny; two sisters, Mesdames Arthur Lamb and Effie Hayworth.

HIGH POINT HOSIERY MILLS BEGIN WORK ENLARGING PLANT

The High Point Hosiery mills has started work on its addition, which will consist of one new building and one three-story annex, the cost to be approximately \$20,000.

The addition will be four stories high and will cost \$10,000. The new building will be on the corner of Pine and English streets. It will be of brick and will be three stories high and is to cost about \$10,000. The work of breaking the ground has already started.

NOTE ARRIVED IN GERMANY LATE WEDNESDAY EVENING

Berlin, April 20.—(Via London.)—The American note to Germany arrived at Berlin late yesterday evening and Ambassador Gerard will probably present it to the foreign office early this afternoon.

LARGE BODY OF RUSSIANS LANDED TODAY IN FRANCE

Paris, April 20.—A strong force of Russian troops disembarked at Marseilles at noon today. The Russians will fight with the allies' forces in France.

NEW OFFICERS OF MEDICAL SOCIETY

Dr. D. A. Stanton, of High Point, Chosen Alternate to National Association.

ASHEVILLE NEXT YEAR

State Medical Society Completes an Interesting Meeting Today in Durham.

(By the Associated Press.)

Durham, April 20.—The North Carolina Medical Society before adjourning this afternoon selected Asheville as the next meeting place. The time will be the third Tuesday in June the year of 1917. The officers elected are: President, Dr. C. O. Laughlinghouse, of Greenville; first vice-president, Dr. D. J. Hill, of Lexington; second vice-president, Dr. J. L. Spruill, Columbia; third vice-president, Dr. J. L. Shuford, of Hickory.

The board of council: Dr. W. H. Ward, Plymouth; Dr. A. P. Bonner, Morehead City; Dr. Ernest Bullock, Wilmington; Dr. M. M. Saliba, Wilson; Dr. Ben Hackney, Bynum; Dr. A. C. Campbell, Raleigh; Dr. J. E. S. Davidson, Charlotte; Dr. J. W. Ring, Elkin; Dr. M. R. Adams, Statesville; Dr. C. V. Reynolds, Asheville.

The delegates to the American Medical association: Dr. J. W. Long, Greensboro; Dr. W. L. Dunn, Asheboro; Alternates, Dr. D. T. Taylor, Washington; Dr. D. A. Stanton, High Point; Delegates to Virginia Medical society, Dr. J. W. McGeehey, Reidsville; Dr. C. S. Lawrence, Winston; Dr. L. J. Picot, Littleton. Delegates to South Carolina Medical society: Dr. F. A. Harris, Henderson; Dr. A. B. Froom, Maxton; Dr. M. H. Biggs, Rutherfordton.

THE BELIEF THAT VILLA IS DEAD IS GROWING

El Paso, April 20.—The growing belief that Villa is dead, although his body has not been recovered, was strengthened today by a message received by a mining concern here from agents in the interior. All these messages agreed that the report of Villa's death is common among the peons of northern Chihuahua and was generally accepted as true.

CRISIS IN THE BRITISH CABINET IS SETTLED

London, April 20.—It was stated authoritatively that a settlement had been reached in the cabinet crisis.

Small Fire Last Night

Fire broke out in the kitchen of the residence of R. A. Hampton on Virginia avenue last night and the alarm was turned in about 8:15 o'clock, all of the fire companies answering the call. Quite a little damage was done to the kitchen and closet of the house, it being estimated at \$100. The fire was extinguished with chemicals.

Senate Agrees to House Bill

Washington, April 20.—Senate Democrats in conference last night decided to enact into law the house bill repealing the provisions in the Underwood-Simmons tariff law which would have placed sugar on the free list May, 1915.

To Charlotte

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Scott Parker, Mr. and Mrs. W. Chase Idol, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cox went to Charlotte to be present at the Parker-Anderson marriage which takes place in that city today.

Mrs. John D. Shaw Sick

Mrs. John D. Shaw is sick, being confined to her room at the home of Mrs. R. B. Strickland.

The Weather

Partly cloudy tonight and Friday; moderate southerly winds.

NEW MANUFACTURERS CLUB NOW ASSURED

The Required 150 Members Have Signed Up For \$30,000 Worth of Stock.

BENCINI HOME BOUGHT

Club Expects to Occupy Its Own Commodious Quarters in Thirty Days.

Every doubt as to the success of the movement looking toward the reorganization of the Manufacturers' club and securing the Bencini home as the club quarters, if there had been any doubt, was removed yesterday afternoon when the canvassing committee reported that the limit of 150 stockholding members had been secured. The option on the new home of the club will be taken up at once, and Mr. Bencini states that the building will be ready for the club within 30 days. A meeting of all of the stockholders has been called for Friday evening of this week at 8 o'clock in the rooms now occupied by the club for the purpose of perfecting an organization and transacting such other business as may come up at this time.

President Tom Gilliam and others who were so much interested in the success of the proposition to secure a permanent home for the club are naturally jubilant today. One of the agreeable things about the success of the plan was the promptness in securing the required 150 members. The canvassing committee expected to meet with discouragement, but went at their task with a determination to win if such a thing was at all within the realm of possibility. They went before the business and professional men of the city and asked that 150 of them subscribe for two shares of stock in the club at \$100 per share. This stock could be either paid for at once or \$25 each year for eight years, deferred payments to bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum. The response was surprisingly hearty.

The meeting tomorrow night will be one of importance to the entire membership of the new Manufacturers' club and it is desired that every one of the 150 stockholders be present and take part in the reorganization program. It is also announced that until the club moves into its own home the new members will be given the privileges of the old club building just as though they were old members.

The Bencini property was purchased for \$25,000, and something like \$5,000 additional will be spent for furnishings. The building is considered ample for all uses of the club now and for years to come. It will be handsomely furnished throughout, and for the convenience of the members there will be reading rooms, card rooms, billiard rooms, ladies parlors, assembly rooms, ball room, smoking rooms, tennis courts, bowling alley, swimming pool, gymnasium and other things that go to make a modern club. The organization will be for both social and business purposes, and it is planned to make it the equal in comfort and efficiency of similar organizations to be found in the younger cities of the country.

The following is a list of the 150 men who signed up for two shares of stock each and who will constitute the membership of the new High Point Manufacturers' club:

- The Stockholders.**
 F. J. Sizemore, J. J. Farris, Carter Dalton, H. C. Kearns, Jr., Frank Wineskie, H. W. Kronheimer, E. A. Snow, Rodney Snow, R. A. Wheeler, A. A. Lindsay, George Lowe, B. S. Cummings, J. H. Adams, C. A. Barbee, Charles R. Godkin, D. R. Parker, Dr. J. T. Burriss, W. T. Parker, S. C. Clark, Dr. W. F. Clayton, J. M. S. Salisbury, W. P. Ragan, C. M. Kephart, J. W. Welborn, Geo. T. Wood, E. S. Hall, C. M. Hauser, D. H. Hall, J. W. Chandler, B. F. Keenan, Dr. O. D. Baxter, J. A. Eshelman, Blod S. Coler, C. C. Robbins, W. C. Jones, John Peacock, C. H. Ellis, W. D. Stank, G. F. Wilson, A. E. Futrell, Thornwell Haynes, H. A. White, Dyed Peacock, E. H. Walker, A. S. Sisson, W. A. Copeland, Dr. S. S. Cox, J. C. Hill, J. S. Welborn, Fred G. Barbee.

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BERNSTORFF WARNS BERLIN GOVERNMENT

Sends a Message Expressing the Belief That United States Means What it Says.

POT STILL HAS HOPES

Ambassador Quoted as Saying He Believed Some Way Out Would Be Found

Washington, April 20.—Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, sent to Berlin last night a long dispatch interpreting the situation in Washington and making certain recommendations. He is understood to have advised his government that he believed the United States meant just what it said in its submarine note and that something would have to be done quickly if friendly relations were to continue.

The ambassador himself, having read the address of the President and the note, said: "I can make no comment either upon the address or upon the communication which has been sent to my government." However, he was authoritatively described as having advised the Berlin foreign office in the message sent last night that he believed at least some such declaration as that made regarding the conduct of submarine warfare in the Mediterranean sea should be issued immediately to cover all submarine operations.

The Mediterranean declaration of last January contained assurances much broader in their scope than those covering the activities of submarines in the war zone around the British Isles, where Germany has contended from the first that she was engaged in a campaign of retaliation for the British blockade.

The assurances were to the effect that only a cruiser warfare would be conducted against enemy merchant shipping, and that non-combatant ships of every character, freight, as well as passenger carrying, would be accorded proper warning and safety for their passengers and crews. The assurances which have been given for the war zone around the British Isles covered only "buccars."

While the ambassador appeared to be more perturbed than at any time since the beginning of the submarine controversy he was said to feel that his government would go to every possible length to prevent the severance of diplomatic relations.

TWO BIG REPUBLICAN SPEAKERS TO BE HERE TOMORROW NIGHT

A. A. Whitener, of Hickory, and Gilliam Grissom, of Greensboro, will be the out-of-town speakers at the big Republican rally to be held tomorrow night at the armory.

This is the first gun in the local campaign. There of course has been a little picket duty perfected such as the sending out of circular letters urging the paying of poll tax, holding of club meetings for educational purposes, but Friday night's rally is to start the campaign rolling.

High Point Republican leaders think they have been fortunate in securing their speakers. They did wish to be sure to have Judge William Preston Bynum, but he could not come. Whitener is, however, a political orator such as High Point has not heard in a long while. He is one of the western North Carolina Republicans that can think and talk at the same time. Although he has never held office, he has sacrificed himself to the party several times.

Gilliam Grissom wants to succeed Major Stedman. He is the Republican candidate for the nomination and will doubtless find little trouble in beating Sam E. Marshall. Mr. Grissom is secretary of the state committee, editor of the Protectionist, and one of the state's ablest men. The big rally will have first class speakers for the occasion and it is said that the crowd will come with the enthusiasm fit for the hour.

RUSSIA SENDS BIG FORCE TO FRANCE

Slavs Will Join Allied Troops in Trenches Along Franco-Belgian Front.

FRENCH TAKE OFFENSIVE

Allies Become Aggressive—British Cabinet Crisis is Reported Settled.

(By the Associated Press.)

Russia has come to the aid of France and Great Britain in the struggle on the western front, sending a strong force of troops to fight with the allies there.

The Russians disembarked at Marseilles at noon today, their arrival being noted by Gen. Joffre in the order of today, the French commander citing their coming as another striking proof of Russia's devotion to the common cause of the allies.

The Russians are believed to have embarked for France from the port of Archangel on the White sea, the only port that has free communication between Russia and the allies in the west.

It is probably that the transport carrying troops made a wide sweep into the north Atlantic before heading for the Mediterranean to avoid the submarine danger zone in the vicinity of the British Isles.

In connection with this it will be noted that word reached New York today through private cable advices that Russia had closed the port of Archangel to all except government traffic. This may indicate that other troop movements to the western front are either underway or are being contemplated.

Several times during the war there have been reports that Russia was sending troops to the Franco-Belgian front, travelers even declaring that detachments had been seen en route in Scotland and England. No such troops have ever appeared on the western battle line, however.

Ambassador Gerard, at Berlin, has received the American note to Germany. The Berlin dispatch reporting the arrival of the note said that the American ambassador was instructed to present it to the German foreign office this afternoon.

The French have again taken the offensive in the Verdun battle and have launched attacks against the German line on the right bank of the Meuse. Paris declares that this aggressive movement was successful, resulting in the capture of a portion of the German trenches and the taking of several hundred prisoners.

This offensive on the part of the French followed closely a German movement in a new field in the struggle for the fortress. This took the form of a drive on the extreme right flank of the French forces in this sector, three successive attacks being delivered at Les Esparges, about 13 miles southeast of Verdun.

Military observers have long expected some such operation by the Germans as part of a movement intended to force the evacuation of the fortress. The new attempt was unsuccessful, however, Paris reporting that the Germans were driven by counter attacks out of the 200 yards of trenches they had succeeded in occupying.

According to a London dispatch the British coalition government has been given a new lease on life, a settlement having been reached in the cabinet crisis over the conscription question.

BRITISH BELIEVE THEY HAVE UNCOVERED AN IMMENSE PLOT

(By the Associated Press.)

London, April 20.—As a result of the seizure of German and Austrian subjects aboard the China mail liner bound from Shanghai to the United States, the intelligence department of the British government contends that it has uncovered a plot of immense proportions conducted with the purpose of causing a revolution in India.