

RELATIONS WITH GERMANY SEVERED

Passports Are Handed to Von Bernstorff and Ambassador Gerard is Recalled.

Washington.—President Wilson has broken off diplomatic relations with Germany and warned the kaiser that ruthless sacrifice of American lives and rights means war.

The president made formal announcement of his action to the country and to the world at a joint session of congress.

Passports have been handed to Count von Bernstorff, Ambassador Gerard, with all his staff and all American consuls, have been ordered out of Germany.

American diplomatic interests in Berlin have been turned over to Spain; German diplomatic interests in the United States have been taken over by Switzerland.

Text of Wilson's Address.

The president spoke as follows: "Gentlemen of the congress: The Imperial German government on the 1st of January announced to this government and to the governments of the other neutral nations that on and after the 1st day of February, the present month, it would adopt a policy with regard to the use of submarines against all shipping seeking to pass through certain designated areas of the high seas, to which it is clearly my duty to call your attention.

"Let me remind the congress that on the 8th of April last, in view of the sinking on the 24th of March of the cross-channel passenger steamer Sussex by a German submarine, without summons or warning and the consequent loss of the lives of several citizens of the United States, who were passengers aboard her, this government addressed a note to the Imperial German government, in which it made the following declaration:

"Sussex Ultimatum Recalled "If it is still the purpose of the Imperial government to prosecute the relentless and indiscriminate warfare against vessels of commerce by the use of submarines without regard to what the government of the United States must consider the sacred and indisputable rules of international law and the universally recognized dictates of humanity, the government of the United States is at last forced to the conclusion that there is but one course it can pursue.

"Unless the Imperial government should now immediately declare and effect an abandonment of its present methods of submarine warfare against passenger and freight-carrying vessels, the government of the United States can have no choice but to sever diplomatic relations with the German empire altogether.

"In reply to the declaration, the Imperial German government gave this government the following assurances: "The German government is prepared to do its utmost to confine the operations of war for the rest of its duration to the fighting forces of the belligerents, thereby also insuring the freedom of the seas, a principle upon which the German government believes itself now, as before, to be in agreement with the government of the United States.

"The German government, guided by this idea, notifies the government of the United States that the German naval forces have received the following orders:

"In accordance with the general principles of visit and search and destruction of merchant vessels recognized by international law, such vessels, both within and without the area declared a naval war zone, shall not be sunk without warning and without saving human lives, unless these ships attempt to escape or offer resistance.

Reservation in Pledge.

"But," it added, "neutrals cannot expect that Germany, forced to fight for her existence, shall, for the sake of neutral interest, restrict the use of an effective weapon if her enemy is permitted to continue to apply at will methods of warfare violating the rules of international law. Such a demand would be incompatible with the character of neutrality, and the German government is convinced that the government of the United States has repeatedly declared that it is determined to restore the principle of the freedom of the seas, from whatever quarter it has been violated.

"To this the government of the United States replied on the 8th of May, accepting of course the assurances given, but adding:

"The government of the United States feels it necessary to state that it takes it for granted that the Imperial German government does not intend to imply that the maintenance of its newly announced policy is in any way contingent upon the course or result of diplomatic negotiations between the government of the United States and any other belligerent government, notwithstanding the fact that certain passages in the Imperial government's note of the 4th instant might appear to be susceptible of that construction.

"In order, however, to avoid any misunderstanding, the government of

the United States notifies the Imperial government that it cannot for a moment entertain, much less discuss a suggestion that respect by German naval authorities for the rights of citizens of the United States upon the high seas should in any way or in the slightest degree be made contingent upon the conduct of any other government affecting the rights of neutrals and non-combatants. Responsibility in such matters is single, not joint, absolute, not relative."

"To this note of the 8th of May the Imperial German government made no reply.

U-Boat War Declared

"On the 31st of January, the Wednesday of the present week, the German ambassador handed to the secretary of state, along with a formal note, a memorandum which contained the following statement:

"The Imperial government, therefore, does not doubt that the government of the United States will understand the situation thus forced upon Germany by the entente allies' brutal methods of war and by their determination to destroy the central powers, and that the government of the United States will further realize that the now openly disclosed intention of the entente allies gives back to Germany the freedom of action which she reserved in her note addressed to the government of the United States on May 4, 1916.

"Under these circumstances Germany will meet the illegal measures of her enemies by forcibly preventing after February 1, 1917, in a zone around Great Britain, France, Italy and in the eastern Mediterranean, all navigation, that of neutrals included, from and to England and from and to France, etc., etc. All ships met within the zone will be sunk."

"I think that you will agree with me that in view of this declaration which suddenly and without prior intimation of any kind deliberately withdraws the solemn assurance given in the Imperial government's note of the 4th of May, 1916, this government has no alternative consistent with the dignity and honor of the United States but to take the course which, in its note of the 18th of April, 1916, it announced that it would take in the event that the German government did not declare and effect an abandonment of the methods of submarine warfare which it was then employing and to which it now purposes again to resort.

"I have, therefore, directed the secretary of state to announce to his excellency, the German ambassador, that all diplomatic relations between the United States and the German empire are severed and that the American ambassador at Berlin will be immediately withdrawn; and, in accordance with this decision, to hand to his excellency his passports.

NOTICE OF CONTEST

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, January 29, 1917.

To Edward Tallman Jr. of Prineville, Oregon, Contestee:

You are hereby notified that Charles Palmer who gives Roberts, Oregon, as his post-office address, did on January 5, 1917, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead Entry No. Serial No. 95592 made March 28, 1911, for SE 1/4 NE 1/4, NE 1/4 SE 1/4, Sec. 19, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, NW 1/4 SW 1/4, Section 29, Township 17, S. Range 13, E., Willamette Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that said Edward Tallman, Jr., has wholly abandoned and failed to reside upon, cultivate or improve said entry since filing thereon or at all; that said absence has not been due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States in time of war, or in any of the military or naval organizations of the United States or of the several States in connection with the operations in Mexico or along the borders thereof.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken as confessed, and your said entry will be canceled without further right to be heard, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically responding to these allegations of contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail.

You should state in your answer the name of the post office to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.

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NOTICE

Special meeting of the stockholders of the Central Oregon Agricultural & Live Stock Association will be held at the Commercial Club Hall in the City of Prineville, Wednesday, Feb. 21st, 1917, for the purpose of changing the name of the C. O. A. & L. S. Assn. to the Oregon Inter-State Fair, and to re-incorporate in the above name and for the amount of \$10,000. The above meeting will be held at 2 o'clock sharp and all stockholders are requested to be present.

J. B. SHIPP, Secretary. 13152

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, January 29, 1917. Notice is hereby given that SALLIE A. WILSON, of Brothers, Oregon, who, on Sept. 5, 1913, made Homestead Entry, No. 91294, for Lots 1, 2, S 1/2 NW 1/4, W 1/2 SE 1/4, Sec. 1, N 1-2 NE 1/4, Section 12, Township 29-South, Range 18-East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before A. S. Fogg, United States Commissioner, at Hampton, Oregon, on the 8th day of March, 1917. Claimant names as witnesses: Bertha Ransom, of Held, Oregon, A. B. Davis, of Held, Oregon, L. A. Royer, of Brothers, Oregon, Elmer Wilson, of Brothers, Oregon.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, January 29, 1917. Notice is hereby given that ELLI WILSON, of Brothers, Oregon, who, on May 17, 1913, made Homestead Entry, No. 91701, for Lots 3, 4, S 1/2 NW 1/4, SW 1/4, Section 1, Township 29-South, Range 18-East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before A. S. Fogg, United States Commissioner, at Hampton, Oregon, on the 8th day of March, 1917. Claimant names as witnesses: Bertha Ransom, of Held, Oregon, A. B. Davis, of Held, Oregon, L. A. Royer, of Brothers, Oregon, Elmer Wilson, of Brothers, Oregon.

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BEND ITEMS

Opening of bids for the transcribing of records from the Crook county books to the books of Deschutes county, the furnishing of record books, and typewriters, constituted the order of the day when the Deschutes county court met in the council chambers of the O'Kane building Friday morning.

The contract for furnishing record books was sought by four Portland firms, and by what was considered at least a remarkable coincidence, all four bids were for the same amount.

For the transcription of records, two bids were entered, one by A. R. Bowman, of Prineville and the Crook County Abstract company. Mr. Bowman offered to handle the work for seven cents a folio, including carbon copies, with six cents a folio for work done without copies. The Crook County Abstract Co., on one kind of work, submitted a bid of seven and 35 cents, and on another variety, a quotation of seven cents. These bids included carbon copies, without which a reduction of one and one-half cents per folio was offered.

The afternoon was largely taken up with discussion of the bids submitted, and the relative merits of offers and of the stock.—Bulletin.

John M. Perry, of Terrebonne, arrested on the evening of January 25, charged with violating the peddlers' ordinance, was acquitted by a jury in the recorder's court Friday afternoon. The trial lasted a good part of the day, although only two witnesses, Officer Frank Kulp and Perry himself, were examined. Kulp testified that he had bought meat and produce from Perry for the last three years. Perry testified that he had been living in the county for seven years and during the entire time has been peddling meat and other farm produce in the city.—Press.

REDMOND ITEMS

Attorney General Brown holds that the rabbit bounty is not in force in Deschutes county, since the entire wording of the act relates to Crook county only. This will relieve the new county of a large expenditure.

August A. Anderson, manager of the Tum-a-Lum Lumber company at this place has been offered and has accepted the position of chief deputy under Sheriff Roberts, of this county.—Spokesman.

WHEAT EMBARGO LIFTED

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Redmond Whse. Co., (Farmers Warehouse) 101fc Paid Adv.

E. H. Brent has leased the room formerly occupied by J. A. Gillis in the Snoderly building, and will install the local branch of Wiley B. Allen's piano store there.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, January 29, 1917. Notice is hereby given that BERTHA E. RANSOM, of Held, Oregon, who, on Sept. 22, 1913, made Homestead Entry, No. 91294, for W 1/2 NW 1/4, NW 1/4 SW 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, S 1/2 NE 1/4, Sec. 10, W 1/2 NW 1/4, Section 11, Township 19-South, Range 19-East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before A. S. Fogg, United States Commissioner, at Hampton, Oregon, on the 8th day of March, 1917. Claimant names as witnesses: Archie B. Davis, of Held, Oregon, Thomas N. Rickman, of Held, Oregon, Elmer Wilson, of Brothers, Oregon, Elmer Wilson, of Brothers, Oregon.

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