

REPLY IS REGARDED AS DISAPPOINTING

Fault Found With Failure to Assure Against Repetition of Lusitania Affair.

DEMANDS ARE NOT MET

American Editors Express Views on Present Situation—Stodious Endeavor to Avoid Clash Is Seen by Some.

Additional editorial comment by the newspapers of the United States on the German reply to the American demands is as follows: Boston Transcript—Without equivocation and with a politeness offensively insinuating, Germany rejects each and all of our demands and attempts to bargain with respect to the future. What right have we to retain a seat among the self-respecting nations of the world if we abandon our dead to their fate and bargain with the murderers for the safety of our living? Milwaukee Evening Wisconsin—The situation, briefly, seems to be that the United States has taken a position in keeping with international law, to which Germany declines to conform. Pittsburgh Post—The attitude of Germany is that the United States shall assent to the sinking of passenger ships and unarmed merchant vessels and all without search and without saving non-combatants. Such a proposition betrays a singular misconception of American character and conscience.

Lusitania Affair Not Disavowed. Philadelphia Evening Bulletin—The fatal fault in Germany's reply to the American note is that there is no disavowal of the assault on the Lusitania, no assurance of reparation, nor any assumption of responsibility and no adequate assurance against the recurrence of such a disaster. There can be no satisfactory settlement of the issue and friendly relations cannot permanently continue unless there shall be expiation in some form.

Cleveland Plain Dealer—The United States asks a question and Germany talks at random in return. The United States makes a demand and Germany discusses in reply the wickedness of her enemies.

Louisville (Ky.) Evening Post—Nothing more arrogant, nothing constructed with more studied offense, has ever been sent in a note to any independent power. If the Kaiser had swept the Navy of the United States from the seas, if he had bottled up the navy of Great Britain, as his own is bottled up, he could not have added a single word of offense to the note yesterday sent to Ambassador Gerard.

Columbia (S. C.) Record—The note not only falls short of meeting our demands, but deals too much in adroit, diplomatic phrasing. In our opinion, the last note of the German Empire is insulting.

People Turn to President. New Orleans Times-Picayune—The only question awaiting answer is that touching the further course to be pursued by the United States. The President and his advisers must decide that. The American people await their decision calmly and with full confidence that American rights and the principles of international law and humanity will be firmly supported.

Richmond (Va.) News-Leader—The latest German note will prove altogether unsatisfactory to the United States because Germany confesses herself an advocate of the freedom of the seas and then calmly proposes to restrict the freedom of American citizens and American ships at sea.

Mobile (Ala.) Item—"Impossible" is a mild term indeed to describe the proposal in view of the fact that the rights of neutral vessels under a neutral flag have never heretofore been called into question.

Louisville Courier-Journal—The German answer would carry better persuasion if it could be considered wholly and apart as an ex parte statement. That the English orders in council were violations of neutrality rights under international law and usage the United States manifest by the protest of our Government. Unfortunately the course pursued by Germany made it needful before proceeding with that protest to meet a more immediate and dangerous assault.

Dead Not to Be Abandoned. Times, Washington, D. C.—In Germany's treatment of the Lusitania question is the crux of the whole situation. We cannot abandon the dead to neglect for the sake of the living. We cannot discuss the matter of safe trans-Atlantic travel for prospective voyagers until we have settled the responsibility and secured the acknowledgment of that responsibility for the American dead, which, somewhere upon or under the sea, testify to a wanton disregard for law and humanity.

Memphis (Tenn.) News-Schmizer—We may not relish the idea of dickering with Germany as long as the United States shall travel the seas, but certainly we have no just complaint against reaching a fair understanding with Germany in this point, so long as we submit to the dictation of Great Britain regarding commerce with neutrals.

Washington (D. C.) Post—The action of Germany in its relation to American rights at sea speaks louder than its word. No passenger vessel with Americans on board has been destroyed by German submarines since the Lusitania was torpedoed, and it is evident that whatever Germany may say, she is studiously endeavoring to avoid a clash with the United States.

Nashville (Tenn.) Banner—Germany assuredly wants no new enemy added to those she already has. The United States, above all things, wishes to keep out of the war. Under such conditions the dispute between the countries should be amicably settled.

ELKS FLOCK TO REUNION

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LOS ANGELES, July 11.—Special trains from all parts of the country brought thousands of Elks here today to attend the reunion of the grand lodge, which opens its first business session on Tuesday.

FRENCH AND BRITISH MILITARY LEADERS MEET AFIELD.



—Photograph Copyright by Underwood & Underwood. GENERAL JOFFRE AND MARSHAL FRENCH. On the occasion of the simultaneous offensive of the French and English at La Bassée, General Joffre, the French commander, visited the English contingent and complimented the British commander and his troops. The photo shows General Joffre (on the left), Marshal French (in the center) and General Wilson, on the extreme right. The three commanders reviewed the British forces.

BRYAN IS "NEUTRAL"

Ex-Secretary Says Press Represents Two Extremes.

SAFE COURSE ADVOCATED

People Declared to Favor Separation of Passengers From Contraband and Keeping Travelers Out of War Zone.

ELOPEMENT SECRET OUT

Young Business Man Wins Parental Blessing in Two Weeks.

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SHOPS ON FULL TIME

Great Volume of Traffic Increases Pay Roll.

Northern Pacific Hard-Pressed to Find Train Crews to Take Care of Passenger Service.

LOCUSTS ARE NOT FEARED

County Fruit Inspector Expects Oregon to Enjoy Immunity.

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could not be shelled with danger to the French position a little higher up. The Germans were sheltered in dug-outs in the hillside, and their French assailants, sliding or jumping down into the trenches, were shot or bayoneted from caves. The line finally was taken by tossing grenades by the basketful into the trenches until so many of the defenders in the concave shelters were killed or wounded that they were too weak to resist an assault.

Every curve or angle in the miles of labyrinthian cuttings has its story of tragedy and heroism. The men on the firing line express the utmost confidence that what was done yesterday or this morning can keep on doing until the war has been won. They never hear the vague, unverified reports circulated in Paris, sometimes of tremendous and impressive victories or sinister hints of disaster. They know what they have done since March 9. They talk as a matter of course of another Winter campaign, because they say it will take another year to break the German power.

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"Mother, I'm married; have been for two weeks." With this calm announcement over the telephone yesterday morning Jay Moltzner, formerly a young newspaper man who is now a partner in the Occidental Warehouse & Transfer Company of Portland, informed Mrs. Harriet E. Moltzner of his desertion from the ranks of bachelorhood.

"You are? Who told?" was the response of Mrs. Moltzner. "Emily Robovsky," was the triumphant reply, said in all expectation of parental blessing, which was not slow in coming.

"Well, come on over for dinner tonight," invited the mother, who is the preading genius at "The Dorothy Dainty."

Mrs. Robovsky was a stenographer in Mr. Moltzner's office. The romance had its inception about eight months ago, when the young girl applied for the position of stenographer. Mr. Moltzner's partner, Attorney J. L. Conley, was in favor of employing a man for the work, but Moltzner stood up for women's rights and Miss Robovsky was employed.

The romance budded and bloomed and was capped two weeks ago when the young couple took the ferry to Vancouver and were married by Rev. E. B. Collier. They are now at home with their friends at 543 East Thirty-seventh street, having dispensed with the usual wedding trip in favor of taking up housekeeping at once.

Mrs. Moltzner came to Portland from Moline, Ill., where he was city editor of the Moline Times. He deserted the newspaper field at the time to engage in the warehouse business with Mr. Conley.

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AMERICA AND BRITAIN BINGERED BY GERMAN EDITOR

"What Is About to Happen Must Be," Said Maximilian Harden, Early in Year.

NATION'S VERDICT SCORNE

"Let No Cry of Pain and No Menace Sound in Germany's Ears," Plain Defiance of Leader Among Political Writers.

Early in the year, Maximilian Harden, a commanding figure among German political writers, declared that there was no disguising the fact that American sentiment was unfriendly to Germany. He advised Germany, with candor, to let the American be what he is, and not continue "to damage its possible future by an attempt to force foreigners to your way of thinking." But he told Americans they need not be alarmed. "You dare attempt to land on our coast. Keep away from the British as well," he said, and declared that Germany requested that "there be no outcry if American ships were damaged by German submarines."

Following are translations of passages of greatest interest to Americans in an article by Maximilian Harden published in February in his magazine, Die Zukunft, under the caption "Is Better for You?" "The land of the Stars and Stripes is sought only to give her neutrality the color of sympathy that the United States, in accordance with the advice of Mr. Roosevelt, who was made an honorary doctor in Berlin, and as a private citizen inspected our brigades maneuver, will support our enemies with fleet and land armies is for the present impossible. Nevertheless, experience warns us to be prepared for every shift in the barometer from the distant West as well as in the Far East and to guard against assassination as much as against flattery."

Americans Regarded as Unfriendly. "Sentiment of Americans is unfriendly to us. Despite tours of France, the status of Frederick the Great, the exchange of professors, and Kiel week? Yes. Despite them all. "We cannot alter it. Missionaries of our Foreign Office brought with them over the sea in trunks and in bundles the most beautiful seal, but sometimes chose unfruitful in a few circles harmful, mediums, lectures and literature, both of defense and denunciation, the number of defenders, the completeness of their argument, alike fortified only suspicion."

"That which could be done to make clear German conduct was done by Germany's upright children, who knew the country and the people. The American business man does not enjoy climbing mountains of paper. He has grown up in a different sphere of interest and is accustomed to a different set of standards than that of the middle European."

"To familiarize one's self with foreign surroundings and to become finally a psychologist in the daily intercourse will become the chief duty of Germany of tomorrow."

The North American among whose number are Britons, Spaniards, Hollanders, Frenchmen and Low Germans, despite language, cannot easily understand the Englishman, and the Englishman, stiff and cold, and chagrined with self-seeking and calculative aims. For the most part it is a quarrel of the wits, and the wits are not to be overcome but not to kill one another.

Opportunity Lost in Asia. "Only over the alliance with Japan did Jonathan wrinkle his brow more than over the British, and even he would close to the yellow one the way to Hawaii and California, through the Philippines, and use him in Asia's fields only as a tool for the Russian and Germans. Doubt the remainder and yet we let slip the opportunity of joining hands with the Japanese against the British."

"Yesterday we were patted. Today we are pinched. Over there the dollar rules alone. All that concerns the United States is the official, the promoter a crook, the official a corruptionist, the lady a little upholstered peacock woman."

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"Even in time of peace an understanding would have become difficult. The American is not to be neither arrogant nor subservient, to court no less as a merchant than as an officer and official, to do what appeals to him, and if it characterizes him as a President as an ox. Let him be what he is, and don't continue to damage the empire and its people through an attempt to force foreigners to your ways of thinking."

American Eyes Not German. "Isn't it understandable that the American high spirit after the war, that he sees the fate of Belgium through other eyes than German and regards it with as a chicken's feather as 'militarism'; understands us no better than the German Michel understands him, and curses furiously when, after a long drought, the European war destroys his harvest? Then he will raise himself aloft in unprecedented magnificence."

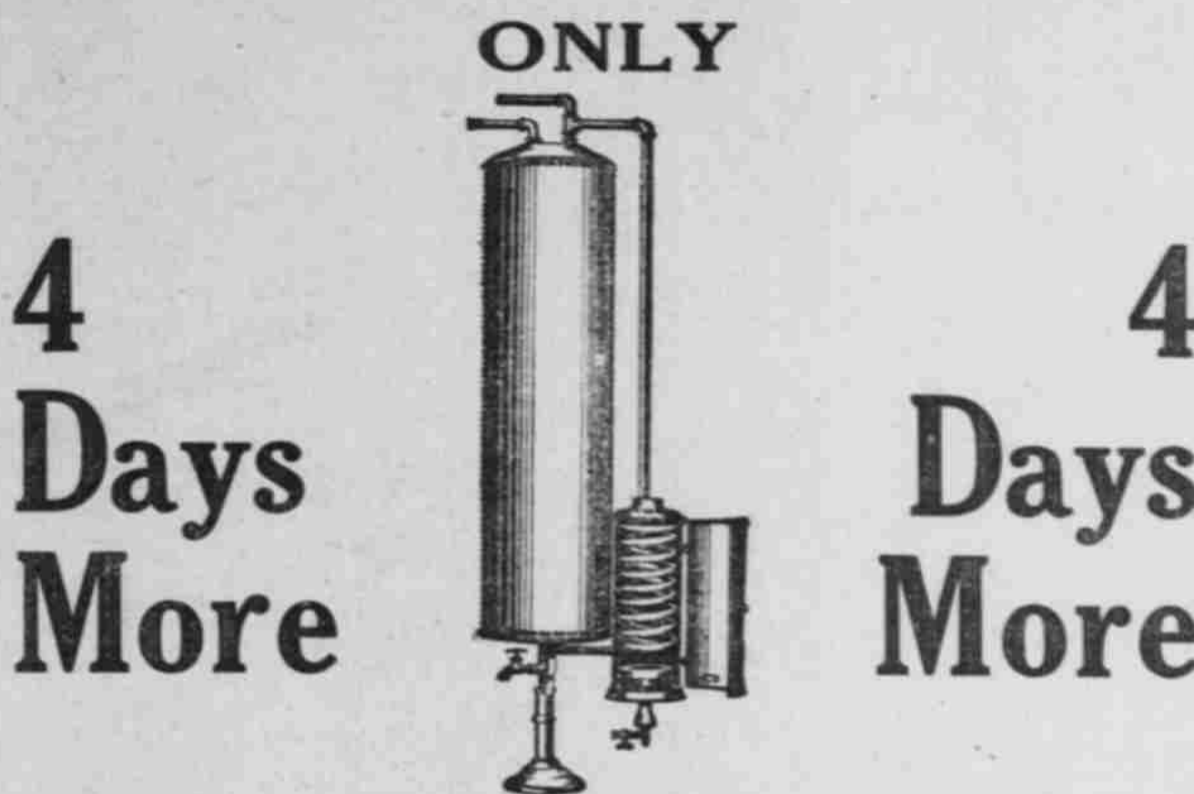
"No matter how the dice fall among us you will rake in the bulk of the winnings. The war cost old Europe through investments without interest, devastation and business loss a hundred thousand million marks or more. She will stagger under crushing taxes."

Warning Given "in Good Time." "Until the war has been fought out and the book of fate has been raised above every doubt, your verdict will stand with us as a chicken's feather. Let our writers and speakers be silent, and not one more syllable of defense Road traffic, ended; and we have not time for that. We are delighted that you are donating ten millions a month to Belgium, that you devote to his care for Poland, that you open the savings bank of your children."

"We earnestly request, however, that you do not care for Poland, that you are damaged through attacks of ships and submarines. England wants to prevent us, and we want to prevent England, from importing foodstuffs and raw materials. You don't attempt to land on our coast. Keep away from the British as well. You were warned in good time. What is about to happen has been imposed by pitiless necessity, and must be. Let no cry of pain and no menace sound in Germany's ear."

Smoking diminishes hunger, and should, therefore, be avoided shortly before meals.

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AFFAIRS IN TANGLE

Alaska Northern Sale May Fail Because Interests Conflict.

CASE IS STILL IN COURT

Purchase Price Agreed On by Government Not Enough to Reimburse Those Holding Claims and Some Are Sure to Lose.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 11.—Unless the American bondholders and the Canadian capitalists interested in the Alaska Northern Railroad can get together and adjust their differences over the distribution of the \$1,150,000 which the Government proposes to pay for that road, acquisition of the property by the United States may have to be abandoned. Such a development is not probable, but it is possible. Both American and Canadian capital is invested in the Alaska Northern Railroad. The American capital was invested in the original company and the Canadian capital when the company was reorganized. Under the terms of the contract under which the United States Government was to take over the road no adequate provision was made for compensating the American bondholders. There were indications that the Canadian Government was to be distributed among the Canadian stockholders.

Contract Not Made Public. Finding themselves out in the cold, the American bondholders, most of them in Chicago, sought to get hold of the contract to ascertain just where they stood in the transaction, they not having been consulted about the terms on which the road was offered to the Government. Access to the contract was denied them; in fact, the contract was not made public, and it became necessary to go into court to have the contract produced. The contract confirmed the fears of the American bondholders, and as a result of proceedings instituted by them in the District of Columbia a percentage of the price to be paid has been set aside to cover their claims, and to be distributed by direction of the court later on.

Following the first order of the court, other bondholders brought like suit and further moneys were set apart to cover their claims, and the Canadians have themselves gone into court to protect their interests. The case is intricate. There are many unverified interests. The amount the Government agreed to pay for the railroad is far from being adequate to reimburse all the stock and bond holders and it was acknowledged at the time that the Government bought at a bargain price.

Ultimate Purchase Expected. The proceedings have gone far enough to demonstrate that the actual purchase of the road by the Government—if it is purchased—must be made through the courts, and will not be a straight-out transaction between the Secretary of the Interior and the road officials. The Government today is operating the railroad under lease, spending some money in putting it into shape, but in spending the bulk of its funds building up a terminal at Ship Creek, which is not on the existing road.

If the sale falls through and the Government is obliged to abandon the

Alaska Northern and turn to some other route to the interior, the Alaska Northern will reap the benefit of what money the Government spends on its improvement. There is general expectation, however, that in time the conflicting interests will reach a compromise, each side agreeing to sacrifice something, and that the road ultimately will become the property of the Government.

Darwin estimated that worms by swallowing earth for the sake of the vegetable matter it contained, and the expenditure of energy in bringing it to the surface as much as 50 per cent of earth per annum on an acre.



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