

### BERLIN WILL ARGUE, WASHINGTON HEARS

Impression Prevails Conditions Will Be Made That Will Compel Rupture.

### GERARD'S MESSAGE BRIEF

Ambassador Indicates "Highly Confidential" Nature of His Communication, Which Is Garbled in Transmission.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Germany's reply to the demand of the United States for immediate abandonment of present methods of submarine warfare, delivered to Ambassador Gerard today, was awaited by officials of the Washington Government tonight with expectant tension. They were without any definite idea of what the communication contained. A brief message from Ambassador Gerard, as well as press reports, however, had created the impression that the imperial government would propose conditions which the United States could not accept. No argument permitted. It was reiterated that President Wilson stood unalterably by the position declared in the note to Germany—that the abandonment of present submarine methods must be declared and effected immediately or the United States must sever diplomatic relations. This demand was designed to permit of no argument, and high officials repeatedly have asserted that anything short of a literal compliance would be followed by a diplomatic rupture. The official copy of the note hardly will reach Washington before tomorrow night, but the document was given to the press in Berlin late tonight, and the unofficial text was expected to reach the United States early tomorrow morning. Ambassador Gerard's message was sent before he had examined the note itself. Its meaning was not entirely clear because of errors in transmission of the diplomatic cipher.

Secretary Lansing declined to comment on the message, or make it public, because he feared it was garbled or that Mr. Gerard, not having seen the note itself, might have made inaccurate deductions. Furthermore, the Ambassador had indicated that his message must be regarded as being highly confidential. Secretary Lansing sent the dispatch to the White House for the information of President Wilson. At the same time an effort was made to have the errors of transmission corrected. It appeared tonight, however, that the contents of the note would be known before the corrections could be made. Officials gave special consideration to press dispatches saying that the German Chancellor would have the German public behind him in efforts to avoid a breach of relations with the United States, "so far as can be done without sacrificing the principle enunciated in the German manifesto of February 8."

Armed Vessels to Be Sunk. This manifesto of February 8 announced to the world Germany's intention of treating as warships armed merchantmen of hostile nations. It was clearly indicated that in the future Germany intended to sink without warning belligerent merchant ships carrying armament, on the ground that they were armed for purposes of offense and that commanders of British

merchantmen had instructions to attack German submarines. The position of the United States is that merchant ships have a right to arm themselves for defensive purposes and that as long as that armament was carried and used for defensive purposes the vessels should receive the same treatment as other peaceful trading ships. President Wilson and Secretary Lansing prepared to remain up late tonight to see the unofficial text of the reply carried in press dispatches, but abandoned the idea when it became known that the dispatches would not be available before morning. A special corps of operators was kept on duty at the State Department to receive the official text, though at midnight word had not come from Ambassador Gerard that he was ready to start the document.

### REED STUDENTS ELECT

COLLEGE COUNCIL FILLED FOR NEW YEAR AFTER CONTESTS.

Ambrose Brownell, of Oregon City, Polls Largest Vote and Will Act as President.

Student government at Reed College changes hands today as a result of the election of new members to the college student council yesterday. Polling started at 9 A. M. and by 4 in the afternoon practically all of the students had registered their choices among the candidates. Ambrose Brownell, of Oregon City, led the six men contesting for the regular positions, representing the male contingent on the council. This will make him the successor of Harold Smith as president of the council for the coming year. He received a total of 55 votes. Edgar Bennett followed Brownell with 45 votes. Third representative for the men is a tie between Charles Larrabee and Sigurd Grondahl, with 41 votes each. Clara Elliot led the women contestants for council honors, with 84 votes. Arleen Johnson and Josephine Saunders were also elected, with 65 and 62 votes respectively. Two advisory members to sit with the council but without votes from the sophomore class are Milton Bozorth and Harriet Post. The retiring members are Harold Smith, Dean Webster, George Buland, Mary Brownie, Elizabeth McGraw and Virginia Mackenzie.

### BENEFIT DANCE IS GIVEN

North Bank Employes at Vancouver Boost Queen Candidate.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 4.—(Special.)—A big crowd attended the dance given by the mechanics of the North Bank Railway tonight for the benefit of the Vancouver candidate for Queen of the Portland Rose Festival, Miss Mildred Pegg. Music was furnished by the North Bank orchestra. A feature of the dance was the auctioning of each dance with the "Queen" to the highest bidder, and in this way a neat sum was realized. Other schemes to raise funds have been devised by the campaign committee, including the sale of buttons with the picture of the local candidate on them and the giving of a benefit moving-picture performance at the Rex Theater next Saturday night.

### Uncle Sam to Have Examinations.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces open competitive examinations as follows: June 7—Specialist in insects as carriers of plant diseases, for men only, in the bureau of entomology, for duty in the field, salary \$1900 a year; preparator in entomology, for both men and women, in the bureau of entomology, Washington, D. C., salary \$1000 a year; physical metallurgist, for men only, in the Navy-yard, Boston, Mass., salary ranging from \$5 to \$8 per day. Further information and application blanks may be obtained from M. K. Wigton, local secretary, Postoffice building, Portland, Or.

### CRISIS IS GRAVER AS GERMANY ANSWERS

Washington to Reiterate Position by Wireless as Final Stroke.

### PROCEDURE WILL BE NEW

Result Will Be, However, to Make Break More Than Ever Unavoidable if Note, Now in Gerard's Hands, Is Unchanged.

(Continued From First Page.) to Berlin. Even at this late hour, when the German reply is in the hands of Mr. Gerard, the authorities are saying that only a full compliance will prevent summary action. Situation May Embarrass. The situation produced by this diplomatic procedure may prove embarrassing. If it works out satisfactorily it will be hailed as evidence of great wisdom. Should it fail and should the German reply turn out to be unsatisfactory, the country will expect Mr. Wilson to do one thing—break relations—and it will be extremely difficult for him to avoid such action. He would be more ridiculous, not only in the eyes of the American people, but in those of foreign neutral states. The latter have intimated that the failure of Germany to meet the American demands will cause them to break relations with Berlin also. German authorities are aware of this general attitude, and the knowledge unquestionably has had much to do with the decision which is the base of the reply. Here is another ground for belief that the pessimistic utterances of the Administration lack foundation. Mexican Settlement Helps. With an arrangement of the Mexican situation practically settled and a prospect that the Carranza will cooperate with those of the United States in the pursuit of Villa, the President is free to deal more unreservedly with Germany. But there is a cloud in the international horizon from another quarter—the Far East. It does not contain the germ of war, such as would be the situation with Germany, but nevertheless it has attracted the attention of this Government and may lead to representations both to Russia and Japan. These powers have entered into an agreement, according to press dispatches, under which Russia shall support Japan, should the latter be interfered with in connection with the preservation of the territorial integrity of and the open door in China.

### ARMED SHIPS TO BE ATTACKED

Germany Said to Adhere to Her Manifesto of February 8.

BERLIN, May 4.—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—James W. Gerard, American Ambassador to Germany, has just called on Herr von Jagow, the German Foreign Minister, to receive from him Germany's reply to the American note concerning submarine warfare. It is said that Germany will adhere to the manifesto of February 8, declaring that in future all armed merchant ships of belligerent nationality will be considered warships subject to attack without warning. The German memorandum of February 8, referred to in the foregoing dispatch, was addressed to neutral nations and declared that after February 23 Germany would consider all armed

merchantmen belonging to countries at war with Germany as warships and that such vessels would be treated accordingly and sunk without warning. It charged that before the outbreak of the war the British government had given British shipping companies an opportunity to arm merchantmen with guns for protection against dangers threatening under certain circumstances from auxiliary cruisers of other powers. The British Admiralty, it was added, published in January, 1914, a list showing that 29 steamers of various English lines carried stern guns. Germany established soon after the outbreak of the war, the memorandum said, that English liners were armed—the steamer La Correntina having been captured carrying two four-pounder, seven-inch stern guns, and a German submarine having been fired upon in the Channel by an English yacht. The memorandum said that the British government, for its own merchantmen, had taken the standpoint that armed merchantmen maintained the character of peaceful mercantile vessels so long as they only carried armament for defensive purposes, but that in the case of arm ships under other flags it had adopted the principle that they were to be treated as warships. The German government, it was said, the memorandum continued, "has no doubt that merchantmen acquire a belligerent character through arming with guns for defensive purposes, but that they shall serve only for defense or for attack. It considers every warlike activity of enemy merchantmen as contrary to international law, although it takes into consideration the opposing views, through the fact that it treats the crews of steamships not as pirates, but as belligerents."

### SAN DOMINGO IS WARNED

AMERICAN MARINES MAY BE LANDED TO GUARD EMBASSY.

Commander Crossley Gives Notice of Severe Measures to Follow if Men Are Molested.

SANTO DOMINGO, May 4.—Commander W. S. Crossley, of the United States converted cruiser Prairie, sent a note to the presidents of the Senate and Chamber of Deputies today, advising them of the probable landing of forces from the warship for the protection of the American legation and warning them that severe steps would be taken in case the marines were molested. Considerable patriotic excitement was caused by the notice. William W. Russell, the American Minister, today conferred with the presidents of the Supreme Court, the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies, who requested the Minister to prevent the landing of American forces. As a result of the conference it was decided to ask President Jimenez to appoint civil officers and forces of the rural guards to maintain order in the city. Natatorium to Be Heated. PENDLETON, Or., May 4.—(Special.)—If present plans materialize, the water in the city natatorium will be heated 20 degrees this summer. It is now too chilly for comfort. Among the changes contemplated is the construction of an eight-foot board wall on the north side of the plunge and a lower

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State Textbook Plan Disliked. DALLAS, Or., May 4.—(Special.)—The proposition of the Salem Commercial Club to advocate before the next session of the Legislature an act providing for the state publication of all textbooks met with a cool reception at the hands of the members of the Dallas commercial body last night.

Hood River Orchards in Bloom. Round trip fares, Saturday-Monday, \$3; Sunday only, \$2. Auto loop trip through the orchards, \$1. Tickets and information at O. W. H. R. & N. City office, Third and Washington. Hood River Blossom Day is May 7.—Adv.

Junction City School Elects. JUNCTION CITY, Or., May 4.—(Special.)—The annual election of the officers for the student body of the high school had the following results: President, Francis Pitney; vice-president, Lloyd Summers; secretary, Anna Murray; treasurer, George Bailey; sergeant-at-arms, Manley Robinson; edi-

tor of the Juncoed for 1917, Mudge Ryckman.

Mill and Log Camp to Start. MARSHFIELD, Or., May 4.—(Special.)—It is reported here today the Johnson mill near Bandon will open soon and the Bear Creek logging camp will be operating within the next 10 days. The Robert Dollar Company owns both properties. Robert Dollar was recently at Bandon and arranged for the resumption of the industries.

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