

GERMANS SAY ORDER CANNOT BE ALTERED

Chances of Continued Peace With United States Are Held to Be Slight.

WILSON'S COURSE GRIEVES

Determination to Enforce Prohibited Zone Absolute and Final—Ambassador Gerard Asks for His Passports.

BERLIN, via London, Feb. 5.—Ambassador Gerard called upon Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, the German Foreign Minister, at 1 o'clock this afternoon to ask for his passports.

BERLIN, Feb. 4, via London, Feb. 5.—Chances for peaceful continuance of German-American relations after the departure of the respective ambassadors at Washington and Berlin in the sense indicated by President Wilson in his address to Congress appear to be very slight, judging by all the information, some of the highest authenticity, gathered by the Associated Press.

It was stated positively in high political circles that the German orders for the conduct of a submarine war could not and would not be modified; that in Germany the determination to enforce the prohibited zone order was absolute and final, and that the only security for shipping was avoidance of the prohibited zone.

Germany, so the Associated Press was informed, resorted to this measure after the "shameful" rejection by the Senate of peace overtures, and only after the uttermost determination, and as the imperative weapon in defense of its threatened interests, Germany cannot relinquish this weapon until the only one promising a speedy end to the war—repudiation as Germany was to take this step.

The government had hoped that the United States would see it in this light, and was not actuated by no animosity to the United States in its determination. Germany, therefore, so the high informant of the Associated Press continued, is very keenly disappointed and grieved by the rejection of Mr. Wilson's message, but the government cannot alter or modify the course upon which it has determined. This official added:

"We can only hope and trust that American ships and American citizens will avoid the danger zones laid down in the German memorandum."

"Press dispatches have reached Berlin, according to which diplomatic relations between Germany and the United States have been broken off," says the Overseas News Agency.

"The general feeling in Germany is regret that the American rejection gave to the German note an interpretation which was not intended by Germany."

MOTIVE STUDIED IN BERLIN
Wilson Credited With Desire to Preserve British Sea Power.

BERLIN, via London, Feb. 5.—The Tagesschau, Rundschau says: "President Wilson has determined under all circumstances to preserve the British strongholds in the North Sea, chiefly because he wants to win England as an ally against Japan which has begun to set in motion 400,000,000 Chinese."

The paper repeats President Wilson's effort to distinguish between the German people and government and says: "We are fully united in the Emperor to the humblest day laborer."

Die Post thinks that America's active participation in the war will change the situation and that the joining of that country in the hostilities can hardly bring greater help to the entire allies than already has been given by munitions and loans.

The Boerzen Zeitung sees in President Wilson's action refusal to recognize the situation, and a policy in which Germany has been placed by her enemies will to destroy her, and adds: "He stubbornly adheres to the doctrine of submarine warfare which he adopted at the outset and has frustrated all the efforts of our government to maintain good relations despite the submarine warfare."

The Vorwaerts says that both sides should drop the talk about morality, and adds: "The Americans have it easy in talking about the sacred laws of humanity which the Germans are treading under foot. They are not threatened in their existence; they know nothing of the pleasures of life in the trenches and when they want bread, butter, bacon, and milk, and eggs they go to the next shop and buy what they want. Under such circumstances it is easy to exalt the laws of humanity. Americans have a little right to make moral representations to us as a party which has the right to judge a poor devil who comes into conflict with the law through dire distress."

UNRESTRICTED PURPOSE KEPT
German Concessions Would Not Curtail U-Boat Activities.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—(British Admiralty per Wireless Press.)—Following news from Berlin received today from a German government wireless station: "Negotiations are now in course of procedure at Berlin among parties interested in the question of how far additional concessions on the part of Germany are possible, in consideration of certain pressing economic requirements of some neutral states without prejudicing the purposes aimed at by unlimited U-boat warfare."

AGENTS WANT TO ATLANIC COAST

German Wireless Plant and Interned Cruisers Guarded. Navy Work Is Rushed.

10 BATTLESHIPS GET READY

Arsenals Employes Have to Show Cards—Baldwin Locomotive and Steel Works Are Placed at Government's Disposal.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 5.—A squad of eight marines, commanded by a corporal from the Philadelphia Navy yard, early tonight left for Tuckerton, N. J., to guard the German wireless plant there. Officials at the yard said this action was taken on orders from the Navy Department at Washington.

Fervid activity on the 10 battleships of the Atlantic reserve fleet at the Navy Yard began today on receipt of orders from Secretary Daniels that the fleet be prepared for immediate service. Steps were taken to bring the components of each vessel up to a war footing, and complete whatever repairs are necessary. The fleet, which is commanded by Captain John Hood, is expected to be in readiness by tomorrow.

The guard of armed marines patrolling the pier where the interned German auxiliary cruisers Prinz Eitel Friedrich and Kron Prinz Wilhelm are moored, was increased today, and friends of the interned vessels were refused admittance to the yard, as were all other visitors. The battleships North Dakota and Kansas shifted their positions in the yard basin to within 100 yards of the interned ships.

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An unusually large number of German and Austrian applicants for naturalization papers, submitted to the severance of diplomatic relations, appeared at the Federal Court here today.

INTERNED STEAMER DAMAGED
Federal Officers at Seattle Take Over Two German Vessels.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 5.—The Hamburg-American freight steamer Saxonia, of 4500 tons, and the ship Steinbek, of 2000 tons, which have been interned in Eagle Harbor here since the beginning of the European war, were taken in charge today by Federal Customs officers. The officers and sailors on the ships were arrested under the provision of the European war law forbidding aliens to enter the United States without permission. They are in custody at the immigration detention station.

Customs officers charge that last night Captain Franz Helfer and 12 members of the crew of the Saxonia, bored the cylinder heads of engines and removed and threw overboard parts of machinery. Blueprints of the steamship's machinery were found floating on the water near the craft. Three sailors were taken into custody while negotiating for the purchase of three barrels of oil, which the officers say was intended to be used to burn the vessel.

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Others Stay Aboard Ships at New York Under Guard.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Only 18 members of the crews of the German vessels here, who had been held aboard the vessels by the Federal authorities, took advantage today of the privilege accorded them by the Government of leaving the crews of the Saxonia, and the German steamer Locksund, interned here, for admission to this country. Seventeen seamen and a stewardess, who asked to be admitted, were taken to Ellis Island, passed the necessary examination and were allowed to enter.

It was expected that more would follow the same course tomorrow. In the mean time the German ships were still under heavy guard tonight and none of the seamen was permitted to leave. The status of those on board the German ships differs in no respect, it was made clear, from that of seamen just arrived, although four of war prisoners have been held on this port two and a half years.

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Is of First Importance Right Now
Today We Feature Six New Models
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At \$28.75
—A price that is exceedingly small when one considers the general beauty and style of the garments.

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11 A. M. to 11 P. M.

MASTER TELLS TALE

Sinking of Housatonic by Submarine Related.

PAPERS TAKEN BY CAPTOR

Pleas for Ship Unheeded but Tow Is Given Until British Patrol Vessel Is Sighted, When Aid Is Summoned by Gun Shot.

PENZANCE, England, Feb. 5.—Captain Enson, of New York, master of the American merchantman Housatonic today gave the Associated Press the following account of the sinking of his vessel taken from his log:

"At 10:30 o'clock on Saturday, we saw a submarine, flying no colors, about 250 yards astern. She fired two shots, the second passing close to the ship and striking the water just ahead. We stopped the engines and then reversed them. We were ordered to take our papers aboard the submarine.

"When I boarded the submarine the commander at first spoke in German. My machinery chief, who had understood, he spoke perfect English. He said: 'I find the vessel is loaded with grain for London. It is my duty to sink her.' I protested vigorously. The commander at first took no notice and then explained: 'You are carrying foodstuffs to an enemy of my country and you are a merchantman.'"

"I asked to be towed landward but the commander said it was impossible because the vicinity was full of British warships. I again protested, to no purpose, against the sinking of the ship, saying here, you would sink a friendly power. He was indifferent to my protests.

"The ship's papers kept. "He then gave the signal to my crew to abandon the ship. After a signal was given from the ship he hoisted the German flag for the first time. He kept the ship's papers.

"Then his third officer boarded the engine room and with a hammer smashed off several sea cocks. After removing several hoses he ordered a public denial of the boats. Before he returned to the submarine I asked this officer to use his influence to induce the commander to tow us towards a landward port.

"The ship was torpedoed at 12:30 o'clock on the starboard side, the commander taking camera pictures as we sank. He then threw us a tow line and towed us to the northward. The Housatonic disappeared in 20 minutes. The submarine towed us until 2 o'clock, when he approached a British patrol boat. The submarine disappeared after attracting attention to us by firing a shot."

H. L. VORSE ELECTED

OREGON ENGINEERS BANQUET AND NAME OFFICERS.

J. P. Newell Suggests That State Through Its Engineer Supervise Highway Work.

The annual banquet and election of officers of the Oregon Society of Engineers took place at the University Club last night, many scientific and technical men attending.

The new officers who will manage the affairs of the organization for the ensuing year are as follows: H. L. Vorse, president; J. P. Newell, vice president; Orrin E. Stanley, secretary; Henry M. Morse, treasurer; J. W. Cunningham, L. F. Harzu and O. Laurgaard, directors; R. E. Cochran, R. G. Dieck, R. J. Grace, W. P. Hardesty, H. B. Hastings, C. P. Keyser, H. E. Plummer and Harold A. Rands, nominating committee.

A number of interesting subjects were provided for discussion at the dinner. The pending Legislative measure for road construction were taken up by J. P. Newell, who as a consulting engineer, is well informed on the question of expeditions road-building measures.

Blossom Time in the Golden State

A friend just back from Southern California says: "The weather was fine, in fact too warm for heavy clothes. Many were bathing at the beaches. Oranges were ripe in the valleys, while the mountains nearby were covered with snow."

With warm, sunny weather it will not be long before the blossoms on the trees will be everywhere announcing that Spring time is here.

Take a vacation trip now where life is different; where climate surroundings and amusements are out of the ordinary. Spend a different February.

Three Trains Daily
Scenic Shasta Route
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City Ticket Office, 131 4th St.
John M. Scott, General Passenger Agent.

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MRS. PANKHURST SAYS NO
Suffrage Leader Says Society Is Not in Plot Against Premier.

DERBY, England, Feb. 5.—The hearing of the case of Mrs. Alice Wheelwright, her two daughters, and the husband of one of them, Alfred George Mason, accused of conspiring to murder Premier David Lloyd George and Arthur Henderson, a member of the War Council, was continued today.

Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the suffrage leader, was present seeking an opportunity to disseminate information of alleged reports that the women defendants in the case were members of suffrage societies.

MRS. SANGER SENTENCED
Assistant at Birth Control Clinic Pays Fine of \$10.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Mrs. Margaret Sanger, birth control advocate, convicted of disseminating information prohibited by law was sentenced to 30 days in the workhouse today.

Miss Fania Mondell, her assistant at a birth-control clinic, was fined \$10, with an alternative term of 10 days in the workhouse. The fine was paid by the Birth Control Association.

66,030 Cut From Budgets.
STATE CAPITOL, Salem, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—The joint ways and means committee cut out \$66,030 from various items in the budget tonight as follows: School for Feeble-Minded decreased \$21,150; Industrial School for Girls decreased \$4,300; Soldiers' Home decreased \$10,580.

Soldier Killed in Scuffle.
DOUGLAS, Ariz., Feb. 5.—George Hendricks, of Birmingham, a private in Battery A, Alabama Field Artillery, was killed in a scuffle with a Mexican soldier.

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The discouraging, embarrassing, skin-itching period when one can't get any relief and hopes against hope for it to disappear NEED NEVER EXIST if Possam is used in time.

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TOOTH PASTE
DENTISTS RECOMMEND IT

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FOR A DRY, TICKLING THROAT
THE NEW 10c BOX PROVES THEIR WORTH
Regular Size 25c, 50c, \$1. At Druggists.

Grade Teachers to Meet.
The regular business meeting of the Portland Grade Teachers' Association will be held tomorrow afternoon in Library Hall at 4:30 o'clock. The present status of the teachers' tenure in office law will be discussed and a full attendance is desired.

Lighthouse Visitors Not Admitted.
NEWPORT, Or., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Officials at the Cape Foul Weather Lighthouse received orders today from the War Department to allow no visitors in the Government enclosure and as a consequence several callers from Newport seeking to visit the lighthouse today were not allowed to enter the grounds.

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