

INTEREST CENTERS IN BERLIN'S REPLY

Number of Nations at War Offers Serious Obstacle to Such a Plan.

OTHER PLANS OFFERED

Exclusion of Passengers From Vessels Carrying Munitions or Absolute Contraband Is Also Under Consideration.

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position is indisputable. Germany, however, holds that this has become a debatable question on account of changed conditions and if the two classes of ocean-going traffic were separated, submarines would direct their attention to contraband ships alone.

Objection Found to Plan.

The objection to this, however, in the opinion of some officials, is that the plan still would not provide for the humane treatment which international law prescribes for the crew of a vessel carrying contraband and making no resistance to visit and search or any attempt to run a blockade. To torpedo without warning or to even give time for the crew of a vessel carrying contraband to get into small boats, it was pointed out, would leave them to the mercy of the high seas unless a big boat happened to be nearby.

This is the position taken in the American note, and some officials doubted whether there would be any concessions on this point, for it involves the principles of humanity for which the United States has taken so vigorous a stand.

Disarming of Merchantmen Proposed.

Another suggestion which was widely discussed by officials was the possible announcement by the allies that none of their merchant ships would be armed hereafter. Merchant ships of any nationality, according to a ruling from the State Department early in the war, have the right to carry guns not larger than six-inch caliber, for defensive purposes only, but by an informal arrangement with the British government clearance has been refused British ships at American ports unless they disposed of their guns.

Out of these phases of the question, there was held in diplomatic quarters, however, that some solution of the questions involved eventually would be reached without any repetition in the meantime of such a disaster as befell the Lusitania.

WILLAPA WOMAN IS DEAD

Mrs. Rebecca M. Lilly Succumbs at Residence of Son.

MENTO, Wash., May 15.—(Special.)—Mrs. Rebecca M. Lilly died May 9 at the residence of her son, E. W. Lilly, in the Willapa Valley, one mile above Mento. She had been ill more than two and a half years. Mrs. Lilly was born in Oneida County, New York, October 16, 1841. Her parents moved to Chicago in 1845 and to Iowa about 10 years later.

She was married August 20, 1863, to Watson W. Lilly. In 1872 they came to the Pacific Coast, landing at Astoria October 11. They lived on Clatsop Beach about a year and then came to Pacific County and after settling on a farm in the Willapa Valley, where they lived 23 years. Since then they have lived with the eldest son on an adjoining farm.

Mrs. Lilly survived by her widower, four children and two grandchildren. The children are May R. Lilly, who served as a missionary 16 years in Malaya; Ernest W., of Mento; Gertrude L. Bloomhardt, of Raymond; and Le Roy Lilly, of Bridgeport, Douglas County, who has two children, a girl of 10 and an infant son.

BAKER HAS CIVIC LEAGUE

Organization Comprising Entire City Is Formed and Begins Work.

BAKER, Or., May 15.—(Special.)—The Baker Civic Improvement League has been formed here and has begun active work in beautifying the city. More than 100 members already have been enrolled and it is planned to have at least 500 before summer. The league plans to take up street and sidewalk improvement, uniform parking, planting of flowers and shrubbery, beautifying of vacant lots and similar ideas, including a swat-the-fly campaign. It has been in existence only two weeks, but the agitation has caused the sending of petitions for the improvement of at least three streets. The city has been divided into five districts with committees in each so that the entire city will be covered. The officers installed Friday were: President George H. Foster; vice-president, Mrs. C. C. Powell; secretary, W. H. Halliday. The district chairmen are: North Baker, E. H. Lamson; Central, Baker, A. C. Strange; West Baker, Mrs. W. H. Strayer; South Baker, Mrs. Fred Phillips; East Baker, Mrs. W. H. Strayer.

1300 CHILDREN WANT BELL

Baker Pupils Send Petitions 38 Feet Long to Philadelphia.

BAKER, Or., May 15.—(Special.)—Baker school pupils are so anxious to have the Liberty Bell stop here on its way to Fordland that they are constantly adding names to additional petitions. The Baker public school pupils prepared a petition 34 feet long and containing 1200 names and the St. Francis Academy children made another petition four feet long with 118 names. The bell is due here the first week in July and if sufficient stop is made the fourth of July and Liberty Bell celebrations may be planned. The Baker Concert Band is planning to take charge of the Independence day program, but if the bell comes it will join in the other celebration.

Seattle Motorists Leave Woodland

WOODLAND, May 15.—(Special.)—J. C. Brennan and J. B. Anderson, of Seattle, passed through Woodland last night on their way back to Seattle after a trip to the San Francisco fair. They left San Francisco Saturday and, despite the rain and mud, have made the trip thus far without mishap. They say that the worst piece of road that they struck between San Francisco and here was from Vancouver to Woodland. They are riding a motorcycle.

GERMAN AMBASSADOR AND GERMAN EMBASSY AT WASHINGTON.



—Photos by Bain News Service.
SNAPSHOT OF COUNT VON BERNSTORFF WAS MADE RECENTLY.

DIPLOMAT MAY GO

German Ambassador's Position Becomes Difficult.

FAULT IS OPENLY FOUND

Reference, in Note to Berlin, to "Surprising Irregularity" of Conduct Thought to Presage Early Retirement.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—Diplomatic circles in Washington took scarcely less interest today in the status of Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, than in the main issues involved in the note to Germany concerning submarine warfare.

The ambassador, in the view of some, is likely to find it impossible to remain in Washington for two reasons. One is the fact that the American government may be said to have "gone over his head" in the dispatch of the note to Berlin. The other is the criticism of the ambassador in the note itself, which said:

"I do not refer to this for the purpose of calling the attention of the Imperial German government at this time to the surprising irregularity of a communication from the Imperial German Embassy at Washington addressed to the people of the United States through the newspapers, but only for the purpose of pointing out that no warning that an unlawful and inhumane act would be committed can possibly be accepted as an excuse or palliation for that act or as an abatement of the responsibility for its commission."

"Surprising irregularity" is regarded as a strong phrase, in the diplomatic sense, and in its relation to the other matters discussed, and it is regarded therefore as not unlikely that the German government may find some way of withdrawing Count von Bernstorff, without waiting for a formal action by the United States.

The State Department today declines to discuss this phase of the subject. Officials of the German Embassy were equally reticent.

Meanwhile the Washington police have strongly increased the guard over the German Embassy, because of the many threatening letters received by Count von Bernstorff since the sinking of the Lusitania.

REBELS FIRE ON LISBON

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says it believes the information probably is correct.

Committee Meets on Battleship.

The Lisbon correspondent of Reuter's Telegram Company, in a dispatch dated today, says it is announced that the revolutionary movement in Portugal is exclusively republican. Its object is to defend and consolidate the republic by the formation of a new ministry, he says. The revolutionary committee met aboard the battleship Vasco da Gama for the purpose of selecting a new government. It is reported that Joao Chagas, ex-premier and Minister of the Interior, will be the new Premier and also Minister of the Interior.

The Madrid correspondent of the Fabre Agency says that the Spanish

government on Saturday received from the Governor of Badajoz, Spain, near the Portuguese frontier, the following statement concerning the revolt:

"The rebellion broke out at Lisbon aboard the cruiser Adamaster, which at 2:30 o'clock bombarded the city. A band of 200 citizens stormed the Alcantara barracks. They entered the barracks cheering the republic. Many were killed and wounded.

Republican Guard Is Steadfast.

The whole republican guard remains loyal to the government and has occupied the streets, in squads and strategic points, scattering the crowds. Several bombs have been exploded.

"The Bishop Vasco da Gama has left Lisbon on a secret mission. All railway and telegraph communication around the capital has been interrupted. The Elba garrison remains faithful and has sent troops to Lisbon. At Santarem an artillery regiment bombarded the Twenty-fourth Infantry, whose losses are unknown. A band of civilians set fire to a British cork factory at Portalegre. There has also been an outbreak at Oporto, where several persons were wounded."

SHE DARKENED HER GRAY HAIR

A Kansas City Lady Darkened Her Gray Hair and Stimulated Its Growth by a Simple Home Process.

She Tells How She Did It.

A well-known resident of Kansas City, Mo., who darkened her gray hair by a simple home process, made the following statement: "Any lady or gentleman can darken their gray or faded hair, stimulate its growth and make it soft and glossy with this simple recipe, which they can mix at home. To half pint of water add 1 oz. of bay rum, 1 small box of Barbo Compound and 1/2 oz. of glycerine. These ingredients can be purchased at any drugstore at very little cost. Apply to the hair every other day until the gray hair is darkened sufficiently, then every two weeks. This mixture relieves scalp troubles and is excellent for dandruff and falling hair. It does not stain the scalp, is not sticky or greasy and does not rub off. It will make a gray haired person look 10 to 20 years younger.—Adv.

Woman's Health Requires Care

Women are so constituted as to be peculiarly susceptible to constipation, and their general health depends in large measure on careful regulation and correction of this tendency. Their delicate organisms rebel at the violence of cathartic and purgative remedies, which, while they may afford temporary relief, shock the system and seriously disturb the functional organs. A mild laxative is far preferable, and, if properly compounded, much more effective.

The combination of simple laxative herbs with pepsin sold in drug stores under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, is ideal for women's use. A free trial bottle can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 452 Washington St., Monticello, Ill.

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50c Stamped Pillow Tops at 25c

At half price we are closing out a fine lot of Art Ticking Pillow Tops, stamped in a splendid lot of patterns in floral and conventional designs; also a lot of Cross-Stitch Flag Pillow Tops. 50c 25c



Our Annual May Sale of Undermuslins

Few women will be able to resist buying these beautifully made, handsomely designed Muslin Undergarments. Make certain of your share by seeing them early. You couldn't make these garments yourself as cheaply as you can buy them at this sale.

Dainty Combination Suits, Envelope Chemise, Princess Slips; a Full Variety of Styles in Nainsook and Crepe; values to \$1.75, Choice. 98c

In this assortment you will find an extensive variety of styles in Combination Suits, Envelope Chemise and Princess Slips, all cleverly designed, well fashioned and neatly trimmed garments. They come in all sizes and are made of fine Nainsook and Crepe with pretty trimming of laces, embroideries and ribbons. Garments in qualities regularly sold up to \$1.75, your choice tomorrow at. 98c

Gowns at 50c to \$1.50

All new styles with low neck, slipover, high and V-shaped neck. Fine garments made of Nainsook, Cambric or Crepe with trimmings of laces, embroideries and ribbons. Not a garment in the lot but what is made and finished in a perfect manner.

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Neat and attractive styles in fine crepe and nainsook trimmed with dainty embroideries and laces; all sizes, at. 25c and 50c

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An unsurpassed showing, including an unlimited variety of styles. Underskirts of excellent fit and finish, made of fine materials and finished with embroidery or lace-trimmed flounce. Every garment new and considerably underpriced at following low prices: 69c, 85c, \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50

Muslin Drawers, 75c Values, at 50c

A showing of all the new styles in nainsook and crepe with lace or embroidery trimming. Regular 75c values on sale at. 50c

No Such Values Elsewhere in The Season's Choicest Silks



A flood of Springtime Silks at especially low prices—the most magnificent silks in superb and novel patterns, and the most remarkable colorings, as well as the most fashionable new and staple shades—silks especially desirable for fancy costumes for Springtime and Summer wear. Prudence should prompt you to purchase here.

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At \$1.25 and \$1.50 Yard

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At 75c Yard At 95c Yard

32 to 36-inch Tub Silks, shown in a full assortment of new striped patterns—light grounds with fast colored stripes. All new and of unusual quality—priced, 75c a yard. 95c a yard.

All Wanted Shades in Plain Colored Taffetas at \$1.00 Yard

Just received—a great shipment of the extremely fashionable, plain-colored, yard-wide Taffeta Silk of soft, durable weave and rich, lustrous finish. They come in wanted colors for street and evening wear. A special value at, yd. \$1.00

Housekeepers, Attention—Profit by This Sale of White, Cream and Ecru Curtain Scrims

With Drawwork Borders—Also Colored Bordered Madras—Reg. 15c Lines at, Yard 11c
The Drapery Department has a matchless display of the new window coverings and prices will be found unusually attractive. Take this sale for example—it is a special underpricing of several hundred yards of Curtain Scrims and Madras in 36-inch width. The Scrims come in white, cream and ecru and with drawwork borders, and the Madras is shown in pretty colored border effects. Both lines are of the best 15c quality and both are on sale at, yard. 11c

FEATHER PILLOWS ODD CURTAINS

At 39c Each At 98c Pair

Regular 50c Kind \$1.50 and \$1.75 Values
Here is a sale of just such Pillows as you will need for porch use, for the hammock and for outings. They come 16 by 24 inches, are covered with good quality ticking and filled with fine, clean feathers. Regular 50c kind. This 39c sale at. 39c
A closing out of odd lot Curtains at a bargain price. Included are those in Scotch Lace, Cable Net and Scrim. Neat and desirable styles in white and Arabian. 2 1/2 and 3-yard lengths in qualities regularly sold at \$1.50 and \$1.75 a pair. Your choice, while they last. 98c

A Great Sale of Hair Switches

The favored new styles are featured. A perfect match is assured because of the wide variety of colors and shades shown—and the prices have been reduced in a manner to prompt you to act at once. See these offerings immediately:
26-inch Wavy 3-strand or Separate Switches at. \$1.98
30-inch Wavy 3-strand or Separate Switches \$2.79
36-inch Wavy 3-strand or Separate Switches \$4.98
26-inch Wavy 3-strand or Separate Switches \$7.50
30-inch Wavy 3-strand or Separate Switches \$4.98
50c Black Rubber Dressing Combs at. 35c
25c Black Rubber Dressing Combs at. 19c
75c White Ivory Dressing Combs at. 46c
35c White Ivory Dressing Combs at. 25c

