

GERMANY INSISTS SHE WILL OBEY RULES OF NATIONS; KEEP DIVERS

Note Published in Berlin Accuses United States of Undue Partiality.

WOULD NOT EXTEND WAR

Her Desire to Maintain Peace Inclines Her to Agree to Warn and Search All Ships, Says the Note.

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eral principles of visit, search and destruction of merchant vessels recognized by international law, the sole exception being the conduct of warfare against enemy trade carried on enemy freight ships encountered in the war zone surrounding Great Britain. With regard to the assurances ever have been given to the government of the United States. No such assurance was contained in the declaration of February 8, 1915.

The German government cannot admit that it has been guilty of any wrong which was given and executed in good faith.

Errors Cannot Be Avoided.

"Errors actually occurred. They can in no kind of manner be avoided altogether, and allowances must be made in the conduct of naval warfare against an enemy resorting to all kinds of errors, whether permissible or illicit. But apart from the possibility of errors, naval warfare, just like land warfare, implies unavoidable dangers, for neutral persons and goods entering the international zone in cases where naval action is confined to ordinary forms of cruiser warfare, neutral persons and goods repeatedly come to grief. The German government has repeatedly and explicitly pointed out the dangers from mines, as they have led to the loss of numerous ships.

German Proposals Not Accepted.

"The German government made several proposals to the government of the United States. In order to reduce to a minimum for American travelers and goods the inherent dangers of naval warfare. Unfortunately, the government of the United States declined to accept the proposals. Had it accepted, the government of the United States would have been instrumental in preventing the greater part of the accidents that American citizens have met with meantime. The German government still stands by its offer to come to an agreement along these lines.

As the German government has repeatedly declared, it cannot dispense with the use of submarines as a weapon in the conduct of warfare against enemy trade. The German government, however, has now decided to make further concessions, adapting the methods of submarine warfare to the interests of neutrals. In reaching this decision the German government is actuated by considerations which are above the level of the dispute question.

Humanity of Highest Importance.

"The German government attaches no less importance to the sacred principle of humanity than the government of the United States. It again fully takes into account that both governments for many years have cooperated in developing the international law, in conformity with these principles, the ultimate object of which has always been to confine warfare on sea and land to the armed forces of the belligerents, and to safeguard, as far as possible, non-combatants against the horrors of war. But, although the considerations are of great weight, they alone would not, under the circumstances, have determined the attitude of the German government.

British Offended First.

"In answer to the appeal by the government of the United States on behalf of the sacred principle of humanity and international law, the German government must repeat once more, with all emphasis, that it was not the German government, but the British government, which, by ignoring the accepted rules of international law, extended this terrible war to the lives and property of non-combatants, having no regard whatever for the interests and rights of neutrals and non-combatants which, through this method of warfare, have been severely injured. In self-defense against the illegal conduct of British warfare, while fighting a struggle for national existence, Germany had to resort to the hard but effective weapon of submarine warfare.

Discrimination Is Charged.

"As matters stand, the German government cannot but reiterate its regret that the serious principle of humanity which the government of the United States extends with much fervor to the unhappy victims of submarine warfare were not extended with the same warmth of feeling to the many millions of women and children who, according to the avowed intention of the British government, shall be starved, and who, by their sufferings shall force the victorious enemies to the central powers into ignominious capitulation. The German government, in agreement with the German people, fails to understand this discrimination all the more as it has repeatedly and explicitly declared itself ready to use the submarine weapon in strict conformity with the rules of international law as recognized before the outbreak of the war if Great Britain likewise would adapt her conduct of warfare to these rules.

Neutral Rights Outraged.

"Several attempts made by the government of the United States to prevent the violation of neutral rights, to that accorded by the British government, have all failed because of the flat refusal on the part of the British government. Moreover, Great Britain ever since has again and again violated international law, and has explicitly declared itself ready to use the submarine weapon in strict conformity with the rules of international law as recognized before the outbreak of the war if Great Britain likewise would adapt her conduct of warfare to these rules.

The German people know that the government of the United States has the power to confine the war to the

GERMANS CAPTURED FRENCH TRENCHES IN THE VERDUN SECTION

Successes Claimed Were to Southwest of Haucourt and West of Avocourt. PART WERE DESTROYED

Statement Says French Attacks West of Deadman's Hill Broke Down; Taubes Bombard Railroads.

Berlin, May 5.—(I. N. S.)—Capture of French trenches southwest of Haucourt, together with a number of prisoners, and capture and destruction of French positions west of Avocourt, were claimed in today's official statement from the German general staff. The statement follows: "I desire to serve the people in the legislature for the reason that I believe my knowledge and acquaintance with the many departments of our government throughout its various ramifications, coupled with a patient and careful study of their objects and functions, the appropriations made to sustain them and some natural ability to deal with matters of legislation, equip me to fill the office of state representative with credit to myself and benefit to the people, locally and in the state at large," says Mr. Korell.

Germany Ready for Peace.

"The German government, conscious of Germany's strength, twice within the last few months has announced before the world its readiness to make peace on a basis safeguarding Germany's vital interests, thus indicating that it is not Germany's fault if peace is still withheld from the nations of Europe. The German government feels all the more justified to declare that responsibility could not be borne by either side in the fighting which, after 21 months' duration of the war, the submarine questions under discussion between the German government and the government of the United States to take a turn seriously threatening the maintenance of peace between the two nations.

Would Confine the War.

"As far as lies with the German government it wishes to prevent the operations of the warfare 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.

Loss of Trenches Admitted.

Paris, May 5.—(U. P.)—Germans launched most terrific attacks during the night against French positions north of Hill 304, the keystone of the French defense northwest of Verdun. The charge was preceded by a violent artillery action.

Burns Cause Death Of Mrs. J. McKinley

Woman Whose Clothing Caught Fire When She Was Washing Gloves With Gasoline Expires at Hospital.

Mrs. James McKinley, terribly burned yesterday morning when gasoline she was using to clean white gloves, ignited from a gas jet, died at St. Vincent's hospital shortly after 11 o'clock last night. There was no hope for her recovery from the first. She had been wearing the gloves on her hands when the fumes ignited from the gas flames, and from the first was helpless to put out the fire that enveloped her clothing. The accident occurred in her apartment at 234 East Twelfth street.

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Candidates Give Reasons

Statements Prepared for the Journal by Seekers of Nominations for Election to the State Legislature, Show Why the Candidate Believes He Should Be Elected and what He Expects to Accomplish if Elected.

Franklin F. Korell is a candidate for the house of representatives on the Republican ticket. He is 27 years of age and was born in Portland. He is a graduate of the University of Oregon and of Yale law schools and was admitted to the Oregon bar in 1910. He worked as a law clerk in the office of Bronaugh & Bronaugh until November, 1913, when he became a member of the firm.

"I desire to serve the people in the legislature for the reason that I believe my knowledge and acquaintance with the many departments of our government throughout its various ramifications, coupled with a patient and careful study of their objects and functions, the appropriations made to sustain them and some natural ability to deal with matters of legislation, equip me to fill the office of state representative with credit to myself and benefit to the people, locally and in the state at large," says Mr. Korell.

"If I am elected, I will perform the duties of my trust fearlessly and conscientiously to the utmost of my ability; vote neither for nor against any bill introduced in the legislature without first carefully and thoroughly considering it. I will support and introduce bills having for their object the development and utilization of all the natural resources of Oregon to the securing of full value for every dollar spent

by the state; the elimination of all unnecessary commissions or boards and sinecure positions and finally, I will complete my term of office so as to cause no one to regret having voted for me."

J. O. MANN is a Republican candidate for representative. He is 44 years of age, married, and has a son attending high school. He is a member of the Portland lodge of Elks, a Mystic Shriner, Eastern Star, Woodman, Macabees, United Artisans, Royal Arcanum, T. P. A., the Muts, K. of P., the Grange, Portland Chamber of Commerce, and other organizations. He has been a resident and business man in this county for 35 years. He is the owner of the Ivy Press, at 382 Stark street, and is a tax payer.

In stating the reasons he has for going to the legislature and what he expects to accomplish, should he be elected, Mr. Mann says:

"My only reason in seeking the nomination is that I may be of service to a community in which I have been a law-abiding citizen for the greater portion of my life. I am in favor of good roads and will support any bill that will be helpful to the farmer and develop the natural resources of the state of Oregon."

He stands for "strict economy," "sound business principles," "protection for the industries we now have and

the encouragement of new ones," "a full dinner pail."

He favors the propagation of fish and game and believes the Willamette river should be closed to commercial fishing, thereby making our community attractive to tourists, sportsmen and anglers from everywhere.

J. O. CAHALIN is a candidate for representative from Multnomah county on the Republican ticket. He is 34 years of age, is a native of Portland and is a lawyer. He was deputy city attorney from February, 1910, until December, 1913, under the administrations of City Attorneys Kavanagh, Grant and La Roche. He is a graduate of the Portland public schools and the University of Oregon law school.

"My sole and only motive for desiring election to the legislature is to help the community in which I live; to have a share in a program of legislation which shall be constructive, but not radical; economical to the last degree consistent with business judgment, but not short-sighted or small; to help kill every bill for which an urgent need is not shown, but to help without fear, favor or previous promise, every measure of real merit and vital importance," says Mr. Cahalin.

"If elected I will spare no energy in mastering so far as one man can, before the session as during its course, matters of proposed legislation."

HAROLD V. NEWLIN is a candidate for representative on the Republican ticket. He is a lawyer with offices in the Fenton building; has been a resident of Portland for the last six years. He is 37 years of age and has never held public office.

He states that if elected he will exercise common-sense in the enactment of fewer and better laws to the end that the state and community be re-

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Judge Is Caught in Trap Laid for Others

Policeman Stops Head of Municipal Court When Lights on Auto Throw Beam Rivaling Search Light.

Persons who were stopped by Patrolman McMichael for having glaring headlights on their automobiles Wednesday night did not appear in municipal court yesterday morning, and if police gossip is to be believed, thereby hangs a tale.

Municipal Judge Langguth was at the police station Wednesday night, judging the brightness of headlights and cautioning owners. After the judging he went in his own machine toward his home at 127 East Third street north.

On his way, gossip says, McMichael stopped him, not knowing his identity, and told him that his machine headlights were too bright. Judge Langguth revealed his identity and argued with the policeman.

"Well, if you're not too bright, none of the others that I've stopped tonight are too bright, and I don't think they should be arrested," was the fare-

well shot of the officer. So yesterday morning, instead of booking those whose names he had taken, McMichael handed the entire list to Judge Langguth. None of the names appeared on the court docket, and those arrested by Patrolman McMichael, all were let off without sentence.

Judge Langguth says there was a dispute, but denies he was arrested.

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