

UNITED STATES SEVERES RELATIONS WITH GERMANY

SACRIFICE OF U.S. SHIPS OR LIVES MEANS WAR

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neutrals and non-combatants. Responsibility in such matters is single, not joint, absolutely, not relative.

"To this note of the eighth of May, the imperial German government made no reply.

Germany's Last Note.

"On the thirty-first of January, the Wednesday of the pre-set week, the German ambassador handed to the secretary of state, along with a formal note, a memorandum which contained the following statement:

"The imperial German government, therefore, does not doubt that the government of the United States will understand the situation thus forced upon Germany by the entente allies' brutal methods of war and by their determination to destroy the central powers and that the government of the United States will further realize that the now openly disclosed intention of the entente allies gives back to Germany the freedom of action which she reserved in her note addressed to the government of the United States on May fourth, 1916.

"Under these circumstances Germany will meet the illegal measures of her enemies by forcibly preventing after February first, 1917, in a zone around Great Britain, France, Italy and in the eastern Mediterranean, all navigation, that of neutrals included, from and to England and from and to France, etc., etc. All ships met with in the zone will be sunk."

No Alternative Left.

"I think you will agree with me that, in view of this declaration, which suddenly and without prior intimation of any kind deliberately withdraws the solemn assurance given in the imperial government's note of the fourth of May, 1916, this government has no alternative consistent with the dignity and honor of the United States but to take the course which, in its note of the eighteenth of April, 1916, it announced that it would take in the event that the German government did not declare and effect an abandonment of the methods of submarine warfare which it was then employing and to which it now purports again to resort.

"I have therefore, directed the secretary of state to announce to his excellency, the German ambassador, that all diplomatic relations between the United States and the German empire are severed and that the American ambassador at Berlin will immediately be withdrawn, and, in accordance with this decision to hand to his excellency his passports.

Regrets the Action.

"Notwithstanding this unexpected action of the German government, this sudden and deeply deplorable renunciation of its assurance, given this government at one of the most critical moments of tension in the relations of the two governments, I refuse to believe that it is the intention of the German authorities to do in fact what they have warned us they will feel at liberty to do. I cannot bring myself to believe that they will indeed pay no regard to the ancient friendship between their people and our own or to the solemn obligation which have been exchanged between them and destroy American ships and take the lives of American citizens in the wilful prosecution of their ruthless naval program they have announced their intention to adopt. Only actual overt acts on their part can make me believe it even now.

To Declare War.

"If this confidence on my part in the sobriety and prudent foresight of their purpose should unhappily prove unfounded; if American ships and American lives should in fact be sacrificed by their naval commanders in heedless contravention of the just and reasonable understandings of international law and the obvious dictates of humanity, I shall take the liberty of again coming before the congress to ask that authority be given me to use any means that may be necessary for the protection of our seamen and our people in the prosecution of their peaceful and legitimate errands on the high seas. I can do nothing less. I take it for granted that all neutral governments will take the same course.

Conflict Not Sought.

"We do not desire any hostile conflict with the imperial German government, we are the sincere friends of the German people and earnestly desire to remain at peace with the government which speaks for them. We shall not believe that they are hostile to us unless and until we are obliged to believe it; and we purpose nothing more than the reasonable defense of the undoubted rights of our people. We wish to serve no

WIFE OF RECALLED AMERICAN AMBASSADOR



MRS. JAMES W. GERARD

selfish ends. We seek merely to stand true alike in thought and in action to the immemorial principles of our people which I have sought to express in my address to the senate only two weeks ago—seek merely to vindicate our right to liberty and justice and an unmolested life. These are the bases of peace, not war. God grant that we may not be challenged to defend them by acts of willful injustice on the part of the government of Germany."

NOMINATION OR GRAYSON BLOCKED BY SENATE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—An effort to confirm President Wilson's nomination of Dr. Cary T. Grayson, his naval aide to be a rear admiral, was blocked in the senate tonight by Senators Lodge and Weeks.

INTERNEED SHIPS PROTECTED

use under certain circumstances. The ninety-five or more German merchant ships tied up in American ports since the beginning of the war may be used by the United States but the German owners ultimately must be compensated.

Ships interned. The ships scattered in the ports of continental United States, Porto Rico, and the Pacific Island possessions, including the Philippines, comprise some of the best known ocean liners and aggregate 628,837 gross tons. Only in case of war is there possibility of their being absolutely confiscated and even then such action is doubtful for the United States, in the world court of nations has been the leading exponent of the inviolability of private property.

Steps Relief Work. There is, however, one relation between the United States and Germany which ceases through diplomatic rupture. It is the humanitarian task of guarding the welfare of soldiers in the prison camps of their enemies and care of German civilians detained in the entente countries. This vast task which is being performed by American diplomatic representatives in England, in the French camps in Africa and in the Russian camps extending to the icy waters of Siberia will have to be transferred to other hands. Likewise the welfare of British, French, Russian and other allied prisoners in Germany, Austria and Turkey, will pass to some other neutral power.

DRINK HOT TEA FOR A BAD COLD

RUB BACKACHE AND LUMBAGO RIGHT OUT

GOLD HILL NUGGETS

son, Horton. She returned home Thursday afternoon, having visited the day previous in Roseburg. Professor Dyer, at one time in charge of the Gold Hill band, was in town from Medford Friday. Clyde Walker departed Friday morning for Montague, Cal., to investigate a proposition offered him. Frank Fink came down from Dr. Chisholm's mine, the "Little Jean," in the Meadows district, on Friday. Wm. Stuewe made a business trip to Grants Pass Friday afternoon, returning on train No. 15 that night.

Portland and other northern cities. R. H. Moore, formerly of this city but now of Central Point, was a business visitor in Gold Hill Wednesday. Mr. Moore maintains a flour warehouse in this city and is expecting a carload of flour to arrive in a few days.

Sam McElendon was in Medford Thursday on business. Miss Dorothy Smith made a trip to Medford Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Day and sons were guests of friends at Medford the first of the week.

Dr. R. C. Kehoy was in Medford for a short time Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn W. Smith were in Grants Pass Sunday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cramer. F. W. Dodge, who is in charge of one of the survey crews working on the irrigation ditch project, has divided his time between Grants Pass and Gold Hill the past week.

J. J. Houck was in town for the week end, but returned to his mine below Grants Pass the first of the week. Guy Harvey returned to Grants Pass Wednesday evening, having acted as instrument man for one of the survey crews for the past three weeks.

Miss Virginia Beeman came in on train No. 15 Sunday night last, having visited for the fortnight previous at Harrisburg, and also at Eugene, where her brother, Horton, is attending the U. of O.

W. H. Edmunds was in Rogue River between trains one day the first of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rjedel arrived from Roseburg on the afternoon train Thursday for a brief visit with friends. Mrs. Rjedel was formerly Miss Viola Myers, and a graduate of the local high school.

Miss Ambrosine Murphy, at one time a teacher in the local schools, visited with Miss Vera Davidson on Thursday. Harry Porter, wife and child were passengers on the south bound morning train Tuesday to Medford. They have left Idaho Falls, Idaho, where Harry was employed, to assume a position with the Big Pines Lumber company at Granada, Calif. They visited with relatives for a short time at Medford.

Miss Amy Koester, of Foots creek, was in town Friday making arrangements for a place to stay while attending school here. Mrs. J. H. Beeman spent the fore part of the week at Eugene with her

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Marriage Licenses. William Lewis Merritt and Louise Koening. Frank Lee Rush and Annie L. Payne. Frederick W. Knowles and Mary A. Hackney.

Circuit Court. Samuel Wells vs. C. N. Long et al. Tax foreclosures. Vera L. Perkins vs. Richard C. Cushing et al. cost bill.

Probate. Hathaway J. Booker, guardianship, guardian appointed.

Real Estate Transfers. Louisa S. Carroll to George H. Patrick, land in secs. 16 and 21-36-3W. \$ 1. G. O. Townsend of ux to W. H. Ross, lot in block 5, Gallopway Add., Medford. 10. Corry Timber Co. to Fruitgrowers' Supply Co., land in twp. 41-1E, and twp. 41-1W, and land in California 186,000.

Master's Sale. Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the directions of a decree passed in the district court of the United States, for the District of Oregon, on the 5th day of January, 1917, in a cause therein pending, wherein Security Savings and Trust Company is complainant, and wherein the Northern Brewery Company and the United Banking and Savings Company are defendants, the undersigned, on Monday, the 26th day of February, 1917, at the hour of 10 a. m., at the front door of the county court house of Multnomah county, Oregon, at Portland, in said county and state, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, subject to confirmation and redemption, and to the several provisions contained in the said decree, the interest of the defendants above named in the following described real property situated in the County of Jackson, State of Oregon, to wit:

Half interest, being forty acres, described as follows: An undivided half interest unto and off Flory Rancho described as follows: The South half of the Southeast quarter of Section 2, Township 38 South, Range 3 West, W. M., containing 80 acres.

The said sale will be made for the purpose of realizing the sum of \$154,816.66, together with interest thereon from the date of the said decree, and the costs and disbursements of the litigation adjudged to be due the above named complainant, and the further sum of \$141,214.75, together with interest thereon from the date of the said decree, adjudged to be due the United Banking and Savings Company, and the accruing costs and expenses of this sale. EARL C. BRONGAUGH, Master commissioner under appointment by the district court of the United States for the District of Oregon.

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