

BRITISH VIEW OF GERMANY'S REPLY

Attempt to Blow Up Megantic Cannot Be Explained on Pretence Advanced in Lusitania Case.

KAISER IS FIGHTING FOR TIME

LONDON, May 31.—Commenting on the German reply to the American note concerning the Lusitania incident, the Manchester Guardian says:

"We do not know how long the war will last, but it is clear, if Germany has its way, that its end will find the negotiations with the United States over the submarine 'blockade' still dragging out their interminable length.

"The German note does not even reply directly to the American request that such actions as the sinking of the Lusitania should be disavowed and that they should be discontinued. The note actually has the effrontery to add that passengers probably would have been saved had it not been for the explosion of ammunition which, it is alleged, was carried aboard the Lusitania, as though the submarine had torpedoed the ship without intending actually to sink it.

"Almost as offensive is the suggestion that before the submarine can be condemned for not having given the crew and passengers time to escape it must be shown that the Lusitania was truly equipped with life saving apparatus, as ordered by the Titanic conference.

"In a word, the United States is offered the prospect of a prolonged controversy over points of detail, but no disavowal of what has been done; no acceptance of the principles of naval warfare which it was assumed Germany would be anxious to uphold, and not a word as to any change of mind or policy. The submarine war is to be pursued as before and American ships and citizens may take the risk."

Case of Megantic.

The Pall Mall Gazette says: "If the slaughter of the Lusitania passengers is to be defended by the assertion that the vessel was carrying ammunition, we wonder what excuse is available for Saturday's attempt on the steamer Megantic of the White Star line. That liner, which was outward bound, cannot be worked into any theory of contraband on which Germany may base the right of murder. None of the quasi-logical distinctions of 'frighthood' will stretch from one of these examples to the other.

The Westminster Gazette says: "Whatever virtue there might have been in the German plea that the Lusitania was sunk because it was believed to be carrying ammunition is destroyed in substance by the attempt to stop the Megantic on Saturday. The Megantic was outward bound from Liverpool and certainly it was not carrying warlike supplies in that direction. It escaped because of its superior speed and not because of any German qualms about sinking an innocent passenger ship. The German reply to the American message, if directly what was expected, it avoids any direct answer to the specific question asked by the United States. The German government, in short, seeks to gain time."

New Form of Diplomacy.

The Evening Standard says: "Germany has discovered a new form of diplomacy. This consists of glaring misstatements so readily capable of being shown to be untrue that the trouble of refutation is worth the trouble of refutation. The note to America declares that the Lusitania had guns concealed near its deck and carried trained gunners. Apart from other evidence to the contrary President Wilson is held likely to accept this in face of the official statement of the collector of the port of New York that no guns, mounted or otherwise, were on board.

"It is possible that Germany thinks to succeed in this gigantic game of bluff, but that only indicates the measure of its self-deception. When Washington wants to discuss submarine attacks on neutral vessels on the basis of an international policy, Berlin replies by arguments and technicalities."

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WILSON STUDIES NOTE OF KAISER

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American government that another vessel—the Nebraska—has been torpedoed without warning while the diplomatic discussion was in progress and urgent inquiry, it is thought, will be made as to what effective measures will be taken immediately by the German government to prevent the further destruction of American lives and property.

Legal officers of the United States government say the American point of view on the legal questions involved has never been disputed in the past by Germany or any other nation of the world in any of the essential features. Analyzing the German reply, it was pointed out that the German acceptance of responsibility for attacks on the American ships Gulf-light and the Cushing with expressions of regret and offers of reparation, could not aid materially in clearing up the situation, since it was declared in the American note such promises do not remove a dangerous practice. This view, it is held, is proved by the attack on the Nebraska and the absence of any assurance that Americans on unarmored merchant ships of any flag in the future will be transferred to a place of safety before such a ship is destroyed as a prize of war.

Continued attacks on American vessels, even though hostile intent may be disavowed in each case, is regarded by American officials as constituting in total effect a hostile practice.

The discussion in the German note of the sinking of the British steamer Falaba, on which Leon C. Thresher, an American citizen, lost his life, was not surprising to officials, for there has been a controversy in the reports of German reports and affidavits of survivors over the length of time given the Falaba to transfer its passengers—a point that has already been satisfactorily established. The Falaba case, however, is only incidentally mentioned.

NEW HOME FOR DESTITUTE FAMILY—Appeal made by The Bee raises \$350 to rebuild home of Joseph Mecher, which was destroyed by fire. Hungarian carpenters donate their services. Home and barn to be completed next Sunday.



Although they have answered many calls to lessen the suffering of their fellow countrymen on account of the European war, local Hungarians have not overlooked a splendid opportunity to help some of their countrymen in Omaha who are in distress. By next Sunday night the family of Joseph Mecher will not only be provided with a new home, but will have a barn, the house furnished and a garden planted.

When the home of Joseph Mecher was

burned a couple of weeks ago and the family left destitute, the children not even having any clothing left, Henry Pollock started a subscription in The Bee to raise funds to replace the home. To this appeal local Hungarians and others have donated over \$350.

Sunday thirty-five Hungarian carpenters, more than needed, were on hand to build the home. As the place is located on the bottom north of Locust street, it was impossible to haul more lumber

during last week, but the balance will be taken out this week and the carpenters will be on hand next Sunday to complete their labor of love, to finish the house, build the barn, plant the garden and furnish the house so that Mr. Mecher and his family can move into a new home, free from all incumbrance.

Some of the carpenters were on hand this morning to do what was possible with the lumber on hand. Henry Pollock and Joseph Mecher are on the foreground.

gential to the American protest over the German method of conducting submarine warfare, and is not as vital from a legal point of view as the torpedoing without warning of the Lusitania.

Germany's contention that the Lusitania was built as an auxiliary cruiser and was on the British naval list, and that it was armed with cannon, was met with the statement in official quarters that the merchant ships of all nations may be commandeered in times of war, but the chance from a peaceful merchantman to an armed auxiliary naval vessel is a proceeding of such a distinct character as to leave no doubt as to from where it will take place. Great Britain's practice always has been, it is pointed out, to place a commissioned naval officer in command of converted merchantmen, which are commandeered only in home ports, and to equip the vessel with guns. According to report of an official investigation by government officials before the Lusitania was granted clearance from New York the ship carried no guns, mounted or unmounted. Moreover, there had been an agreement for several months between the United States and Great Britain that no British ships leaving American ports shall carry any guns.

The argument in the German note that the Lusitania carried Canadian troops and ammunition is regarded by officials as irrelevant for they declare it is well known that no Canadian troops could pass as an organized body over American soil, and the sailing of a few unarmored individuals does not constitute an armed expedition under international law. Neither, it is contended, has traffic in arms and ammunition been regarded as warranting the destruction of any unarmed merchantmen without previous visit and search.

German Official Report. BERLIN, May 31.—(Via London).—At the war office today the following statement was given out: "Western theater: The French attempted yesterday, north of Arras and in the forest of Le Pretre, to break through our front with strong forces. At Arras the enemy worked forward on the night before last by means of sapping. An attack on our lines on the Neuville-Rocourt front was expected since the attempt of the enemy to force us out of our position further north had failed. This attack was made yesterday afternoon after several hours of artillery preparation. Owing to the bravery of the Bavarian and Rhine regiments the attack failed in complete defeat for the enemy. His losses were extremely high. "In the forest of Le Pretre the only success gained by the French was the penetration of a few advanced trenches, which were weakly defended. Otherwise the enemy's attack at this point failed. "At Ostend (Belgium) a coast battery shot down an enemy aviator. "The railway viaduct of Dammerberg was again destroyed by our artillery with a few shots. The French succeeded only a few days ago in making it ready for use after months of labor. "Eastern theater: Nothing of importance has occurred."

KAISER'S SUBSEA CRAFT DESTROY MERCHANT SHIPS

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British Steamer Dixiana Sunk.

LONDON, May 31.—The British steamer Dixiana was torpedoed off Ushant Saturday last, while on its way from Savannah, Ga., to Swansea, Wales.

SAVANNAH, Ga., May 31.—The British

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