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**GERMANY ADMITS
SINKING MARINA**

Wilson and Lansing Confer—Case is Most Serious Now Pending.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 1.—Following the receipt today of a communication from the German government admitting that a German submarine torpedoed the British horse ship Marina with the loss of six Americans, Secretary Lansing conferred with President Wilson and it was decided that no action would be taken by the American government until it could be definitely established whether the Marina was a private vessel or a belligerent transport.

In the note Germany stated that the commander of the submarine which sank the Marina had reported that he took the vessel for a transport and asked the United States for information on this point.

Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, called at the state department during the day and also sought this information. He was told by Secretary Lansing that the United States was not yet in a position to answer the inquiry but would do so as quickly as possible.

department officials take the position that the presumption was in favor of the position that an enemy might have believed her still to be a transport at the time of the attack. In order to close up the nature of her previous charter the orders under which she was sailing and the character of her officers and crew will be investigated.

Secretary Lansing went over the case in detail with President Wilson after the call of the German ambassador, but at the time had not examined all the affidavits bearing on the attack on file at the state department.

It was indicated that it will be possible for the American government to collect all the evidence necessary without further reference to the German government.

It was stated that no decision had been reached on whether when the desired information has been gathered it will be furnished to the German government without comment and further action awaited from Berlin or whether it will be embodied in a note stating the position of the American government in the case.

The result of the investigation, it was understood, will determine this question. In its last note to Germany on the submarine question the United States stated that diplomatic relations would be broken off unless the practice of torpedoing vessels without warning was abandoned.

The door to acceptance of amends was not entirely closed, although warning was given that offers of reparation and expressions of regret could not compensate for illegal destruction of American lives.

Germany, it is understood, is ready to acknowledge error and make offers of settlement if it is established that the Marina was not in the British transport service. When the vessel was sunk it was stated in dispatches from London that she previously had been connected with the transport service, and also that when she sailed on her last voyage she was armed with a gun astern, manned by two British naval gunners.

If the ship was in public service prior to being torpedoed, some state-

**RIDICULES IDEA
OF U. S. EMBARGO**

Says Farmers and Live Stock Men Here Would Rebel at Scheme.

London, Dec. 1.—Under the title "A Pacific Dream of a Food Embargo" the Spectator argues that an American embargo would have serious consequences.

It would be opposed by the American farmers and live stock traders, says the newspaper, because it would depress prices, and also the business people would be reasonably frightened by the thought of retaliatory embargoes.

"Suppose, and it is no mere empty supposition," says the Spectator, "that the parliament at Ottawa declared that America put an embargo on exports of food to the allied countries, they would put one on her legs and pulp. Where would the newspapers of the United States get sufficient paper to meet their demand?"

The News Statesman says: "Those who have a finger on the financial pulse have lately been feeling increasingly uneasy about the nation's expenditure. We are trying to continue the spending of \$20,000,000,000 a year, when at most we have \$12,000,000,000 to do it with."

"That is why the chancellor of the exchequer has not only been driven to borrow from the United States, on extremely generous terms, nearly all of our marketable foreign investments in order to pawn them at New York, but is also compelled to borrow from hand to mouth from bankers there in order to keep exchange from going to a dangerously adverse figure."

The newspaper adds that the deficit can be made up from the accumulated wealth only to a limited extent, because it is not in the form in which it can pass immediately into consumption, and much more, cannot be sold to neutrals, even the prosperous United States, because there is a near limit to the amount that can be spared.

It is argued that the aggregate public and private expenditure must be limited to a sum increasingly near the annual production, and that \$2,000,000 retrenchment can be effected by the better paid workers and those with incomes above the income tax minimum.

**PRICE OF PAPER
TAKES BIG LEAP**

Publishers Now Must Pay Mills Sixty-two Dollars a Ton—Many Must Suspend.

New York, Dec. 1.—The International Paper company, which makes one-fourth of all the white paper used by newspapers in this country, has notified publishers that the price for 1917 will be \$62 a ton at the mill, customers to pay freight, cartage, insurance and storage charges. This is \$3.10 per 100 pounds, or 3.3 cents a pound. The other paper makers will follow the example of the International.

This is an advance of 55 per cent over the old price of \$40 a ton. It is an advance that will hamper every newspaper publisher in the United States. It will cost the newspapers of New York City \$3,000,000; of Boston, \$2,000,000, and the cost to publishers in other cities will be proportionate.

Increased Costs the Excuse. P. T. Dodge, president of the International, says there are good reasons for the advance; that everything used in paper making has increased so that paper cannot be made at a profit for less than \$3.10 per 100 pounds.

A. G. McIntyre, paper expert of the American Newspaper Publishers' association asserts the mills will make an excessive profit from the advance in price, and that trade conditions do not warrant it. Publishers expected an increase in cost of manufacture in the mills, but it could not average more than \$5 a ton. Mr. McIntyre says in an interview in the Editor and Publisher that 2,000 papers, not all small ones, either, will be forced out of business by the advance. He says: "It is a dark day for publishers, who face ruin and disappointment, with no quarter offered."

FOR SALE.

Hot water heating plant for 7 or 8-room house; in good condition; bargain. T. H. Pollock.

Victrolas \$15 to \$150. Records and needles. J. W. Crabill. 10-17-d&w.

CREAM, 37c, at Dawson's store, Plattsouth. 9-19-d&wtf

**UNION.
Ledger.**

Mrs. Luther Meade and Mrs. George Marrow are reported on the sick list this week.

Attorney C. H. Taylor came down from Omaha Saturday to spend the week end with home folks.

L. G. Todd, Ed Shoemaker and Fred Young were in Louisville yesterday visiting at the Farmers Union elevator.

Ed Leach has been working the road that passes his house and expects to have it in first class shape before the heavy freezing begins.

The county commissioners have at last made up their minds that the court house needs cleaning and re-decorating. Pretty good idea.

The roads are the best in the history of the county around here for this time of the year, at present. One or two soft places between Plattsouth and Nebraska City over the old O. K. road.

At the drawing in Nebraska City yesterday Edgar Morton got the lady's rain coat and the name of Matt McQuinn was called at two different times, and his prize would have been a good watch for either sex given by E. C. Ernestene, but Matt was not there. There were about 500 cars registered.

Creed Harris returned from Oklahoma City Friday night and says he enjoyed the trip fine. He has been gone from here nearly two weeks and says there are a whole lot of people who did not even miss him. Probably that was because Union is getting so large that it is impossible to keep track of everybody all the time.

Last Friday the news was started that E. H. McConaha, an operator for the Missouri Pacific at Strausville, the first station this side of Falls City, was beaten up and finally killed by tramps at that place. The story is wrong. McConaha was laying off at the time and it was the operator who was taking Mac's place that met with foul play.

**NEHAWKA.
NEWS.**

Mrs. Trotter reports that her son, who underwent two operations in a hospital is improving.

Reports still come of the improvement in health of Mrs. C. D. St. John, who is in an Omaha hospital.

Chancellor Fulmer, of Nebraska Wesleyan University, was unable to be here last Sunday evening and his lecture was postponed to a future date.

Mike Kime and wife have taken time by the forelock and celebrated Thanksgiving by having a dinner party Sunday.

Mr. Bennett Chriswiser and wife, who have been visiting their two sons for a week returned to their home in Plattsouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick will journey to Plattsouth, their old home town, to eat some of its good things on Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Sturm are preparing to entertain at the McCarthy relatives on Thanksgiving, and we think it will take two big birds and then some.

Ralph Sturm departed for Texas to oversee the irrigation plant they are installing on their ranch. A word to the wise—Mr. Ralph keep out of the range of Mexican bullets.

Z. W. Shrader recently topped the market with 480 head of sheep on the Omaha market, receiving almost \$12.00 per hundred on the entire flock. Mr. Shrader will soon have 1,000 more shipped in and if he does as well on these as the last he will have nothing to complain of.

A force of track men have been laying the heavy steel rails through Nehawka this week. The rails are all laid between Union and Nehawka and within a short time will be completed to Weeping Water. We understand this is to be the main line of the Missouri Pacific for all through freight traffic between Omaha and Kansas City as soon as the heavy steel has all been laid.

**ELMWOOD.
Leader-Echo.**

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Berger of near Greenwood visited friends in Elmwood Sunday and Monday.

D. Rosenow of Omaha was here the latter part of last week and the first of this visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franz Rosenow and other relatives.

and has purchased an oil stove for this purpose. Mrs. H. A. Williams and Mrs. L. F. Langhorst went to Blair, Neb., on Monday to see Mrs. Mary Williams at that place. She is quite sick, having had another stroke of paralysis.

George E. Miller has lost five head of cattle this week with the new cattle disease. He has another one or two afflicted with the disease. This is quite a loss as they were all good cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gustin were visitors in the vicinity of Eagle on Tuesday. Mr. Gustin was looking after his land interests near that place and reports that his corn crop on this farm is yielding sixty bushels to the acre.

John Morford was called to DeWitt, Neb., Monday, in response to a telegram announcing that a sister was not expected to live. The sister died before he got there. Mrs. Morford left on Tuesday to attend the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Uhley have moved their household goods from Verden to Alvo, and will make their home there. Mr. Uhley has a lucrative position with the M. P. as assistant traveling auditor. He will be away a good deal but will make his headquarters at that place.

A. N. McCorty and son, William, and Mrs. Thompson motored down from Lincoln to visit at the Ivan McCrory home and other friends and relatives. Mrs. Thompson is visiting the McCrory family and other friends at Lincoln. While here she called upon her old friend, Grandma Quinn. Mrs. Thompson is on a visit here from Portland, Ore.

**EAGLE
Beacon**

Mrs. A. B. Shepard left yesterday for Illinois for a month's visit with relatives.

Joe Ganter and Miss Lena Campbell of Lincoln Sundayed at the Renner home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Swanson and little daughter, Enid, of Union, are visiting at the Renner home.

Mrs. Edna Crabtree went to Hastings Wednesday night to spend Thanksgiving at the C. W. Crabtree home.

Charley Snyder received a barrel of oranges Thursday morning from his father, who has a tract of land in Florida.

A. H. Vanlandingham shipped two cars of hogs Tuesday to Nebraska City, and one car Thursday to South Omaha.

Superintendent Clyde E. Seymour of the Eagle school left for Swanton, Neb., Wednesday evening to visit over Thanksgiving with home folks.

Greeley Forsythe arrived here from North Dakota Thursday morning for a visit with relatives and friends. This is his first visit here in several years.

Herbert Standley, son of Mrs. Elihu Standley, was operated on for appendicitis at St. Elizabeth's hospital at Lincoln Monday. At first his condition was considered quite grave, but at this writing we are glad to report that he is getting along nicely.

Bert Dopp and Nellie Standley, two of our popular young people who reside southwest of Eagle, were united in marriage Wednesday at 2:30 p. m., at Lincoln, the Rev. Rudolph Caughey officiating. They will reside on the groom's farm southwest of town.

**WEeping WATER
REPUBLICAN.**

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Carroll who live on the Schrieder place east of town are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby born Tuesday, November 28.

Mrs. Riley Portis and her small children of Rockport, Mo., arrived Tuesday evening for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Ray Kreider and family.

Alec Hitchman, wife and little son arrived Monday night from their home at Tampico, Mex., for a short visit with Mr. Hitchman's parents and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Collister returned Tuesday morning from Talmage where they had visited their new three and one-half pound grandson at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Ray Spencer.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tiffny and family of Colfax, Ia., arrived by auto last week for a couple of weeks' visit with Mrs. Tiffny's brothers, A. J. and D. A. Patterson.

Cards are out announcing the arrival of a wee baby at Mr. and Mrs. Ray Spencer's of Talmage, on Nov. 24th. The little one has been named Keith Neville. Mother and baby are getting along well.

town and will move here this week. Mrs. Conley will live with her daughter, Mrs. Dill in the O'Brien house.

R. O. Hutchins shipped a car of stock cattle to the Omaha market on Monday. Mr. Hutchins is one of our extensive cattle raisers. He has about eighty head of cattle left, forty head of which he will feed this winter.

Mrs. Fannie Dill bought the Henry O'Brien home last week and Mr. O'Brien purchased the Pillsbury home. Possession of the above homes will be given this week as the Pillsbury family is moving this week to their new home at Malvern, Ia.

**E. P. HOLMBERG DIED
EARLY THIS MORNING**

This morning at 4 o'clock Eric P. Holmberg, one of the old residents of this city, passed away at his home on South Tenth street after a short illness due to the complications of old age, as Mr. Holmberg was past 90 years of age and lacked only a month of being in his ninety-first year. He was born in Sweden January 26, 1826, and had spent his earlier years in that country, coming to America some forty years ago. He had been a resident of Plattsouth for many years and was for years an employe of the Burlington company in the shops and in the yard service here and was a very faithful and steadfast man in his duties, and in his associations with his fellow man made a great many very warm friends who will regret greatly to learn of his death.

For the last few years his age made necessary his retirement from active duties and he had spent the time at the home in looking after his care. Mr. Holmberg for one of his years was a very active man and it was not until last Thursday that he was compelled to take to his bed, and from that time on he gradually grew weaker until the end, which came peacefully, like a gentle sleep. Two sons, Ernest and Conrad, were with the wife and mother at the bedside when the messenger of death called the husband and father away.

ENTERTAINS QUILTING PARTY.

On Wednesday afternoon, last, Mrs. D. B. Jardine entertained in a very pleasant manner at her home northwest of the city at a quilting party when a large number of the ladies and their families were in attendance at the pleasurable event. At noon a fine big dinner was served to the members of the party by Miss Mabel Jordan, Florence Gauer and Pearl and Myrtle Jardine. Those who were present were as follows: Mrs. John Meisinger, jr.; Mrs. Anton Meisinger, Mrs. Frank Blatzer, sr.; Mrs. Lambert, sister and son, Glen; Mrs. T. E. Todd and sons, Lee and Albert; Mrs. Louis Born, Mrs. E. J. Meisinger and daughter, Alice; Miss Theresa Lehnst, Mrs. J. N. Jordan and daughter, Mable. Those attending from other localities were Mrs. John Busche, Cedar Creek; Mrs. Frank Salsberg and son, Elmer; Mr. and Mrs. John Meisinger, jr.; Mrs. John Gauer and daughter, Florence; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Schaffer, Mrs. Margaret Schaffer, Louis Meisinger, Elmer Schaffer. It was a late hour when the guests departed homeward vowing they had had a very delightful time at the hospitable Jardine home.

CORN SHELLING.

I am now ready to do all kinds of corn shelling and wood sawing. Call Murray Tel. Exchange. Omar Yardley. 11-208rtwkly

"The contents of a lady's bag are always gay and fleeting; Yet this one holds, if nothing else, A merry Christmas greeting."

J. W. Tulene was among those going to Omaha this morning.

DANCE ON DECEMBER 9.

The Cosmopolitan club will give another of their social dances on Saturday evening, December 9, at Coates hall, to which the public is cordially invited to be present and a good time is assured to all. The music will be furnished by the Holly orchestra. 1td

Danger Signal.

If the fire bell should ring would you run and stop it or go and help to put out the fire? It is much the same way with a cough. A cough is a danger signal as much as a fire bell. You should no more try to suppress it than to stop a fire bell when it is ringing, but should cure the disease that causes the coughing. This can nearly always be done by taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Many have used it with the most beneficial results. It is especially valuable for the persistent cough that so often follows a bad cold or an attack of the grip. Mrs. Thomas Beeching, Andrews, Ind., writes: "During the winter my husband takes cold easily and coughs and coughs. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best medicine for breaking up these attacks and you cannot get him to take any other." Obtainable everywhere.

Poultry Wanted



Wanted—A car load of live poultry to be delivered near C. B. and Q. freight depot, on Friday, December 8th, one day only, for which we will pay in cash as follows:
Hens, per pound.....14c
Springs.....14c
Old Roosters.....8c
Ducks.....12c
Geese.....11c
Guineas, per dozen.....\$3.00
Large Horse Hides, each.....\$7.00
Beef Hides.....18c
Will be on hand rain or shine and take care of all poultry offered.

**W. E. KEENEY
RAISED SANDBOAT
THAT HAD BEEN
SUNK FOR MONTHS**

John Richardson, the ferryman, Saturday afternoon completed a very difficult job at Cullom when he successfully raised the large sandboat that had sunk in one of the lakes there and brought it to shore where the machinery on the boat can be cleaned up and saved by the owners. The boat which is of quite good size was upset in the lake several months ago and was found by Mr. Richardson turned bottom side up in some sixteen feet of water and it is needless to say that it was no small job to drag the boat to shore as it had on it eight tons of machinery that made the work doubly hard. Mr. Richardson, who has had considerable experience in this line of work around the river, prepared for the work in a very thorough manner and by the use of gig posts and block and tackles was able to get the boat righted and in shape where it could be towed to the shore. It is a job of which John can feel well pleased as there are very few who would care to undertake the proposition under the adverse conditions, and the success he had with it is very pleasing to the owners of the boat as the value of the boat was considerable, owing to the expensive machinery with which it was equipped.

HOUSE FOR SALE—Inquire of Mrs. Jennie Sass, at old McMaken Place. 12-4-2td

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Stylish shoes with the unnecessary frills left off but the really necessary care in design and workmanship put in in abundant measure.
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Christmas!**

We herewith offer a few suggestions from our very complete stock of Jewelry. A trip to our store will convince you that our prices are very moderate for the highest grades of jewelry made. Drop in and examine our line of Diamonds, Ladies' and Gents' Set Rings, Lavalieres, Scarf Pins, Cuff Buttons, Brooches, Bracelet Watches, Fobs, Sterling and Plated Silverware, Clocks, Fountain Pens and Ivory Goods.

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