

NEXT NOTE TO THE KAISER DEFINITE

Will Not Indulge in Very Extended Discussion of Principles Already Stated.

BERNSTORFF CALLS ON LANSING

WASHINGTON, July 17.—The situation that has arisen between Germany and the United States over Germany's failure to grant the American demands growing out of the sinking of the Lusitania will be laid by President Wilson before his cabinet next Tuesday.

Several drafts of a note setting forth the course which the United States intends to follow as a result of the German reply have been prepared and will be discussed by the president with Secretary Lansing Monday and submitted to the cabinet the next day.

Although officials generally are reluctant, the purpose of the United States to continue to assert its rights on the high seas probably will be announced in definite form in the next note. In authoritative quarters it was stated that the new note very likely will include in no extended discussion of the principles already stated and reiterated.

It became known in official quarters, too, that there was little likelihood that the United States would subordinate the Lusitania case or assertion of its rights to the intimations from Germany of a willingness to have the United States mediate between Great Britain and Germany in an effort to restore recognition of the principle of the freedom of the seas.

Much stress was placed on this point by Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, in an informal interview with Secretary Lansing today, but high officials, recalling that one effort to mediate on the subject of submarine warfare and contraband already has failed, indicated that the step would not be repeated unless specific request was made by one or the other of the belligerents.

Inasmuch as Count von Bernstorff had no instructions from his government and brought no communication from his foreign office, his visit today, some officials said, was unlikely to change the purpose of the United States to take into consideration solely what was said by Germany in its last note. The ambassador exchanged views with Mr. Lansing on all phases of the question and sent a long report to Berlin.

Doesn't Commit Self. The interview, it was believed, might have tangible results during the course of later negotiations, since the American viewpoint was explained to some extent by Secretary Lansing. Mr. Lansing, however, did not commit himself in the absence of the president to the course that the United States would follow.

The ambassador expressed confidence today that the situation between the two countries was not critical and that a rupture of relations seemed impossible because of the desire of both governments to avoid it. He believes there will be no repetition of attacks without warning on passenger vessels of belligerents and bases his optimism on the fact that German submarines recently have exercised great precautions.

When asked if oral assurances that Americans would be safe on unresisting and unarmed belligerent ships would be acceptable, Secretary Lansing told inquirers that if such assurances were given by direction of the German government they would be as satisfactory as those of a formal character. As yet he had nothing from Berlin on this phase of the situation since the last note arrived.

Puts Views in Shape. CORNISH, N. H., July 16.—President Wilson today virtually put in shape the views of the German situation which he will communicate to Secretary Lansing and other members of his cabinet on his return to Washington next week.

No announcement on the subject will be made, however, until the president has met with his cabinet and determined fully on the details of the next step in the American policy.

The protest from Austria-Hungary against the shipment of large consignments of munitions of war to the allies, and the situation growing out of the interference of Great Britain with commerce of the United States and neutral nations in Europe came in for a share of the president's attention today, but he let it be known that all information would have to come from the state department.

Branch Libraries For the City Parks

If a plan suggested by Miss Edith Tobitt, librarian in charge of the Omaha public library, is carried out Omaha will have one of the most up-to-date circulating library systems in the country.

Since Mr. English has taken up the task of building up the playgrounds, Mr. Hummel, commissioner in charge of parks, has seen by Miss Tobitt with the suggestion that new playhouses be erected in the parks, and that these houses be equipped with rooms to accommodate branch libraries, which will be placed therein by the public library. These branches would have, according to Miss Tobitt's plan, an employee of the public library in charge of them, and would be distributing points as well as reading rooms.

This plan, or one similar to it, has been tried out in Chicago, where many of the parks have playhouses equipped with swimming pools, rooms where picnic lunches can be prepared and children's play rooms, as well as small reading rooms.

Mr. Hummel is much interested in Miss Tobitt's plan and has promised to help establish and equip the playhouses.

Mrs. E. R. Mohler Dies At an Advanced Age

Mrs. E. R. Mohler, mother of A. L. Mohler, president of the Union Pacific railroad, died last night at 8:30 o'clock at the Methodist hospital, aged 88 years. Mrs. Mohler had been seriously ill for several weeks of paralysis. Surviving, besides President Mohler, is one son, George J. Mohler of Spokane, Wash., who was here at the time of Mrs. Mohler's death.

The burial services will be held at Sterling, Ill., the body being taken east this evening, accompanied by the two sons.

New Omaha Play Supervisors



Ella Van Sant Jenkins



Ione Scott



Mrs. Hazel King

Playground Supervisor English has named seven of the playground supervisors who successfully passed the examinations held Thursday. These are to report Monday for assignments to seven of the city playgrounds. They are: Cornelia McDougal, 548 North Twenty-

fourth street; Ella Van Sant Jenkins, 418 Cuming street; Miss Ione Scott, 11th and North; Miss Lillian Welsch, 723 Binney street; Mrs. Hazel King, 11th and North; Mrs. M. Elizabeth Hutchinson, 252 St. Mary's avenue; Catherine Carrick, 215 Chicago street.

Russian and German And Austrian Poles Hold "National Day"

BERLIN, July 17.—(Via Wireless to Sayville.)—Messages of Russian, Austrian and Prussian Poland, have held a "National day" in Petrikau in Poland, according to a dispatch from that place given out by the Overseas News agency today for transmission abroad.

"Delegates were present," the dispatch says, "representing the Polish executive national committee, the Polish legion, the Polish organizations in provinces occupied by the Teutonic allies, members of the Polish independent party in the duma; members of other political parties and representatives of American Polish organizations."

"A Warsaw delegate," the dispatch says, "stated that his fellow countrymen would eagerly await a manifesto from the central powers assuring national independence, but would also welcome autonomy in connection with Austria-Hungary."

"The 'National day' held under the auspices of the allied governments proved a great success in preparing for a close connection between Russian Poland and the Teutonic allies."

HE FINDS WALL AGAINST DIRECT LEGISLATION

SUPERIOR, Wis., July 17.—The initiative and referendum cannot be legally adopted in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana and Michigan, the five states formed out of the original northwestern territory, lawyers attending the annual convention of the Wisconsin bar association were told in the concluding business session by Addison C. Harris of Indianapolis. He took the position that Virginia, in turning the territory over to the union, provided that the area disposed of always should have a "strict republican form of government."

CHICAGO CAR COMPANIES WILL ACCEPT THE AWARD

CHICAGO, July 17.—Officials of the traction companies announced today that the award of the arbitration board increasing the wages of its employees would be accepted, regardless of the refusal of its representatives to sign the award earlier in the day. The award increased the pay of conductors and motormen 3 cents an hour.

The increase in wages granted the men is retroactive to June 1, when the old

SWIMMING POOL FOR RIVERVIEW

Seven Supervisors Are to Be Assigned to Duty in the Parks to Look After Playgrounds.

BOARD GOES SLOW ON DANCING

The Recreation board yesterday afternoon settled down to business, by approving the construction of a swimming pool in Riverview park, purchase of equipment for playgrounds, employment of seven qualified play directors, and resolved to take under advisement the matter of allowing dances in the pavilion at Hanscom park.

The Riverview swimming pool will be 60x130 feet in dimensions. For eighty feet the depth will be from two and one-half to five feet and for forty feet beyond the water will be from five to ten feet. It is proposed to complete the work this season and have the pool ready for next spring. The improvement will cost \$4,800.

Assignment of Supervisors. The seven supervisors will be assigned to Hanscom, Riverview, Fontenelle, Miller, Kountze and Bemis parks, and the playgrounds at Thirty-fourth and Leavenworth streets. They will each receive \$70 a month, and will be named as soon as Superintendent English passes upon examinations taken last Thursday.

Outline to the Recreation board the general duties of these supervisors, Superintendent English said:

"They will be expected to teach cleanliness, politeness, formation of friendships, obedience to law, justice, honesty, truthfulness, determination and higher standards of life, in connection with play activities."

Superintendent English asserts: "Supervision of playgrounds is necessary to make a playground a social force, to secure the attendance of the children by a rich repertoire of games, dances and athletic direction; to give everyone a fair chance."

In his general program submitted to the board, Mr. English proposed in the course of time to stimulate interest in the organization of a municipal chorus band, and he expects to hold a water carnival at Carter lake during August. He plans to establish skating places on vacant tracts of ground next winter. He favored two life guards at the municipal beach at Carter lake and recommended placing tennis courts in the parks and playgrounds. The board approved an appropriation of \$200 for a cinder track in Kountze park.

The superintendent's budget for the balance of this year is: Administration, \$2,500; maintenance, \$3,300; improvements, \$3,000; Riverview pool, \$4,800; equipment, \$711.

The board intends to move slowly regarding the dancing feature in Hanscom park. Mr. English said the experience of other cities along this line has been that such dances should be under the auspices of organizations, rather than to throw the dances open to the general public. He explained that responsibility for the character of the dances may easier be determined under the plan he suggested.

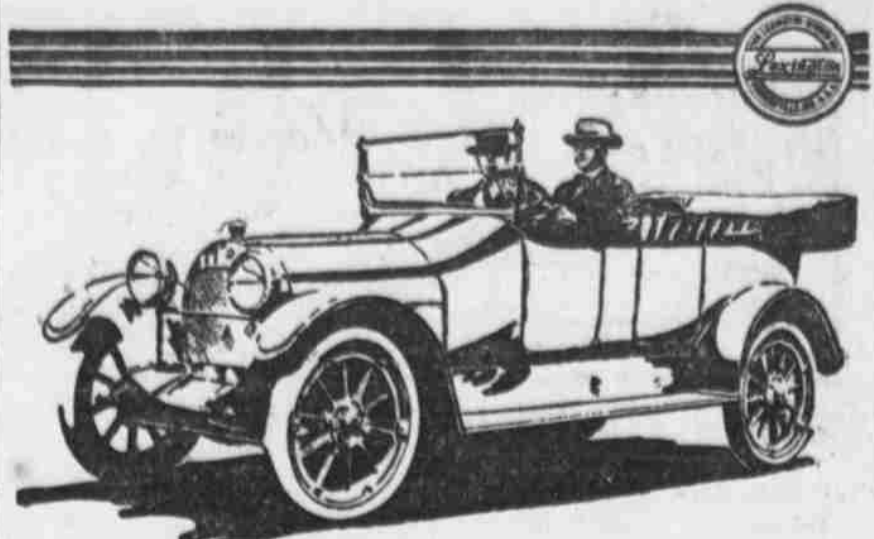
Equipment to be purchased at once includes quoits, croquet, sand boxes for the small children, playground ball sets, soccer football sets, volley ball outfits and tennis apparatus for the others.

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Blue River Flowing Through U. P. Station

BEATRICE, Neb., July 17.—(Special Telegram.)—High waters in the Blue valley again threaten damage to farms and other property. The Blue river is out of its banks and water tonight is running through the Union Pacific depot at Holmesville.

No trains can be operated on the line between Beatrice and Manhattan. Indian creek, north of this city, is half a mile wide and has washed away considerable wheat in the bottom land. The Blue river is thirteen feet four inches above normal as a result of last night's downpour.



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