

DRAFT OF PROTEST TO BRITAIN FINISHED

Emphasizes Neutral's Right to Trade in Non-Contraband With Whomever It Pleases.

Final drafts of the reply of the United States to the British order in council...

The reply has been approved by President Wilson, who remained in his study late into last night carefully examining the document.

Delay in preparation of the reply, it was announced today, was due to the fact that the protest covers virgin ground and much research work has been necessary on the part of the legal experts of the State and Navy departments in its preparation.

Emphasizes Neutral Rights. While all information regarding the exact facts contained in the document were withheld, it was stated that it is a straight statement of fact. It sets forth the position of the United States as a neutral nation and emphasizes its right to trade in non-contraband with whomever it pleases.

In general the principle is enunciated that, if the allies contemplate a blockade of the German and Austrian coast, they should notify the neutrals and also announce how they intend to enforce it.

May Go Forward Tomorrow. Just when the note will go forward has not yet been decided on. It may be sent tomorrow, and it may be held for a few days.

It is stated today that in most respects the note will follow the protest already filed by the Dutch government.

For the last two weeks Minister von Rappard, the Dutch minister here, and Counselor Lansing have been in almost daily conference on the subject.

Bandits Get \$2,000 In Daylight Hold-Up

NEW YORK, March 28.—In broad daylight three bandits made one of the most daring automobile hold-ups that has ever taken place in this city, getting booty of \$2,000 and making their escape. The victim was Alexander A. Ogilvie, employed as a paymaster by the New York Steam Heating Company.

Ogilvie has been in the custom of carrying the pay to 350 employees at the same time every Saturday. As he neared the corner of Fifty-ninth and Lexington avenues, a car full of men in automobile drew up to the curb and a man, alighting, ran behind the young man, striking him a blow on the head with a blackjack. Ogilvie fell, but held on to his money. A second bandit wrenched it from his hand.

Both the Heredia and the Parisian were badly damaged. The Parisian, laden with mules, was bound for California. The Heredia was for Colon, and the Weems for Tampa, Fla.

Crippled Dog Lives 39 Days Without Food

OETTSBURG, N. Dak., March 28.—Buried thirty-nine days beneath some hay that had fallen from a huge stack, "Frisie," a crippled blind dog owned by George Adams of this city, was found by its master today, when he went again to the stack to get another load of hay. The dog was emaciated and weak, but is recovering.

Oxford-Cambridge Race Called Off by War

LONDON, March 28.—Because two-thirds of the undergraduates are under arms and the leading athletes are in active service the annual Oxford-Cambridge rowing race could not be held yesterday, the regular date of the classic.

Two Men Burn to Death In Freight Car Blaze

ANTIGO, Wis., March 28.—Two unidentified men, thought to have been tramps, were burned to death at Deerbrook when the consumed a freight car containing hay.

Fire Companies Respond To Man's Stomach Ache

NEW YORK, March 28.—Three Brooklyn companies responded when Samuel Goldstein's stomach developed an acute ache while he was en route to work.

Duke, Kept Indoors for 3 Months, Asks \$10,000

NEW YORK, March 28.—Compelling a duke to stay indoors for three months is worth about \$10,000, the Duke Arturo de Maio Durazzo figured today.

Man Events Arranged For Washington Today

Meetings and Entertainments To Be Held in Every Section of the City By Various Societies.

Saturday.

Martha, No. 4, and Ascension, No. 20, Eastern Star, No. 10; Metropolitan, No. 10; Phoenix, No. 29; Magenuen, No. 4, Encampment. Knights of Pythias—Byzantium, No. 10; Rathbone Temple, No. 8; Pythian Sisters, Order of Jonadab—Pioneer Council, Socialists—Local Northeast, 311 E street northwest, 3:15 P. M.

Tomorrow.

Recital, pupils of Mme. Marie von Unschuidt, Waugh M. E. Church, 3:15 P. M. Supper and meeting, T. W. C. A., 3:30 P. M. Ebbitz, 7 P. M. Address, "The Day of Authority," the Rev. Henry H. Ranck, Grace Reformed Church, 7:45 P. M.

Tuesday.

Masonic—Mithras Lodge of Perfection, Scotch Rite, Old Fellows—Washington, No. 6; Golden Rule, No. 21; Amity, No. 2; Excelsior, No. 14; Capital, No. 24; Myrtle, No. 25. Odd Fellows—Union, No. 15; Union, No. 11; Langdon, No. 26. Knights of Pythias—Equal, No. 11; Century, No. 20.

Wednesday.

Masonic—Washington Centennial, No. 14; Old Fellows—Washington, No. 7; Harmony, No. 8; Federal City, No. 20; Columbia, No. 1, Encampment. Knights of Pythias—Mt. Vernon, No. 8; Friendship Temple, No. 9; Pythian Sisters, Royal Arcanum—Municipal Council, Independent Order of Rechabites—Onward to 4 years, Ninety Nine, N. Y. C. Independent Order of Red Men—Red Wing Tribe, No. 20.

Thursday.

Masonic—Hiram, No. 10; Masonic Board of Relief, Boarding Chapter, Rose Croix, Scotch Rite—Gotham, No. 5; Eastern Star, No. 22; Columbia, No. 16; Salem, No. 20. Knights of Pythias—Franklin, No. 3; Coldwell Company, No. 7; Uniform Rank, National Union—William H. Collins Council, Marchants—Genevieve, No. 1. Independent Order of Red Men—Sixtus Tribe, No. 18. Socialist party—Sunday school conference, German Branch, 311 E street northwest, 8:15 P. M.

Friday.

Masonic—School of Instruction, Royal Arch Masons, Columbia, No. 2; Knights Templar, No. 10; Columbia, No. 16; Salem, No. 20. Knights of Pythias—Franklin, No. 3; Coldwell Company, No. 7; Uniform Rank, National Union—William H. Collins Council, Marchants—Genevieve, No. 1. Independent Order of Red Men—Sixtus Tribe, No. 18. Socialist party—Sunday school conference, German Branch, 311 E street northwest, 8:15 P. M.

SO COLD IN WINSTED TEETH WERE FROZEN

WINSTED, Conn., March 28.—A number of cottages at Highland Lake have taken on life this week, the early arrivals having expressed a desire to see nature unfold herself. One city woman (name omitted by request), on rising this morning found her false teeth were frozen. Before retiring last night she deposited them in a glass of water which she placed on the window sill of her room. The mercury touched 15 degrees above zero and also her teeth.

Atlantic City Bars Sunday Theatricals

ATLANTIC CITY, March 28.—There will be no Sunday vaudeville or any variation on the regular Sabbath concert or Sunday under penalty of fine or imprisonment. The announcement comes as the aftermath to a test case brought by S. F. Nixon, through his managers at the New Nixon Theater here. Manager Harry Brown was held in to court for the third time to answer a charge of violating the Sunday law. His lawyers said that acts were presented without costumes and were merely concert features.

Fire Threatens To Sweep Ohio Town

Hotel Guests Flee in Night Clothes While Sylvania Mayor Appeals to Toledo for Help.

SYLVANIA, Ohio, March 28.—This town today is being swept by the most disastrous fire in its history.

Woman Dies at 113.

AUBURN, N. Y., March 28.—Mrs. Winnifred Johnson, 113, inmate of the Harriet Tubman home for aged colored women, died yesterday. Officials of the home said investigation of her claim to longevity convinced her statements were true.

Former Washingtonian Is Defendant in Divorce

CHICAGO, March 28.—A bill for divorce was filed by Marguerite Mitchell Sheriff against Andrew R. Sheriff, in the superior court. They were married in 1900 and separated in August, 1912.

MT. RAINIER.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Civic League was held at the home of Mrs. Donaldson last night. Among the matters discussed was the opening of the children's playground about May 15. The league will give an entertainment May 11.

Perry Boswell, who recently underwent an operation at Georgetown University Hospital, is reported to be improving.

Very new candy striped waist, in rich color combination; stylish "High" button collar..... 98c

BUY BOYS' CLOTHING AT BEHREND'S SAVING PRICES

165 Boys' \$3.00 Cloth Suits, \$1.90. Handsome blue, brown and gray for check and fancy mixture all-wool cloth suits for boys 6 to 16 years. Very newest Bulgarian styles with stitched box plait in front and back, stitched belts and patch pockets. Extra special..... \$1.90

39c Boys' Cloth Pants, 21c

Neat, fancy stripe cloth pants, 6 to 14 size. Knickerbocker style. Monday only..... 21c

\$2 Wash Suits, 98c

Showing very newest novelty styles, including the vestee, Balkan, and sailor middy, Oliver Twist, Dombey, and military in plaid, poplin, cloth, and linen. In plain shades and 98c stripes..... 98c

25c Infants' Dresses, 17c

Made of fine soft nainsook, full cut, well made in bishop style. Lace trimmed neck..... 17c

25c Checked and Serge Reefers, \$1.98

Medium weight double-breasted reefer coats for boys 2 to 8 years. Nobby black and white check or blue serge..... \$1.98

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25c Silk Hosiery, 15c

Pure thread silk hose, with high-spliced heels and double toes and elastic garter tops. All colors..... 15c

39c All Colors Silk Hosiery, 24c

Sand, putty, Belgium, navy and light blue, gray, green, lavender, pink, white, black, tan, etc. Pure thread silk hose..... 24c

12 1/2c Children's Black Ribbed Hosiery, 5c

Double knees, heels, and toes; fast color stockings; small sizes only. 1-day price..... 5c

25c Dress Buttons, 9c Card

Fashionable Dress Buttons, silver or gold enamel, pure pearl, velvet, and silk covered buttons. A splendid assortment of nobby, dark, and medium colors..... 9c

50c Men's Silk Ties, 29c

Men's New Spring All-Silk Neckwear. Wide, flowing end Four-inches, and extra long perials, particularly fine line of light, dark, and medium colors..... 29c

10c Vest, 6 1/2c

200 dozen Bleached Ribbed Vests, with tape in armholes. Perfect fitting, full cut..... 6 1/2c

39c Women's Union Suits, 25c

Nice hosiery finish, in regular or extra size, with lace trimmed knees and yokes. Monday only..... 25c

25c Women's Ribbed Shirts and Pants, 17c

Knee length umbrella pants, with lace trimming, high neck, long sleeve neck to match. Monday only..... 17c

75c and \$1.00 Women's Silk Lisle Union Suits, 40c

Long or short length pants; tight or loose fitting; high or low neck. Long or short sleeve suits; regular or extra sizes..... 49c

FREE--Ladies' Home Journal Dress Patterns--FREE. 7c Toweling Crash, 2 1/2c. Boys' Spring Hats 49c. 75c Pretty Lawn Short Kimonos 47c. 12 1/2c White Dress Crepe, 6 1/2c. "Where Your Dollars Count Most" BEHREND'S 720-722-724 Seventh Street N.W.

300 New Spring Suits in a Great Easter Sale. Values from \$16.50 to \$32.50. Divided Into Two Lots For Monday's Selling. \$9.95. In this lot are stylish shepherd checks, fancy diagonals, wool serges, and crepe cloths. Tailored in every conceivable style suitable for young girls and women. Rich shades of putty, sand, Belgium blue, navy, gray, and black. \$15.77. Wonderfully handsome Pure Silk Suits; all-wool gabardines, crepe, poplins and men's wear serge are to be had in this lot. Made in handsome flared, belted, empire and novelty styles, in rich shades of green, wistaria, battleship gray, blue, black, etc.

GIRLS' EASTER COATS AND DRESSES REDUCED. Slightly Crushed White Dresses Worth to \$4.98. About 200 girls' dresses of finest voiles and swisses, with handsome lace and embroidery trimmings. Dozens of beautiful styles to select from. Drummer's sale of our discontinued numbers..... \$1.69. \$5.00 White Dresses, \$2.98. Snappy, entirely new designs of handsome all-over embroidered voiles and exquisitely lace-trimmed white organdie dresses in new double designs to 11 years..... \$2.98.

HATS TRIMMED FREE. FREE OF CHARGE. Trimmings, quill, and other brilliant faneries. A style for every face, a color to match any costume. Trimmings, quill, and other brilliant faneries. A style for every face, a color to match any costume. \$2.98. \$1.00 Madras and Gingham Dresses, 57c. Made of 12 1/2c Corded Madras and plain shades of union linen, in tan, blue, pink, etc. Stylish pleated skirt with yoke blouse or double ruffled style, 6 to 11 years..... 57c. \$2.00 Little Tots' Coats, 94c. Neat black and white check and sand color Fongee Coats for girls 2 to 4 years. Nicely lined and made..... 94c. \$3.50 Girls' Colored Repp Cloth Dresses, \$1.98. Beautiful broad belted style dresses, in rich shades of Belgium blue, salmon, rose and sand; black piped seams, large button trimmings, 6 to 14 size..... \$1.98. \$5.98 Girls' Spring Coats, \$3.98. Choice of nobby plaid, check, and plain shades, of all wool coats. Made in the Spring's choicest models, including belted, flared, and military styles. Every color and size, 6 to 14 years..... \$3.98.

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Easter Corsets. \$1.00 R & G Corsets, 67c. All shapes, all sizes; new spring models; lace trimmed yoke and 4 supporters; light or heavy weight..... 67c. 50c Corsets, 34c. In batiste and coutil; long or medium length; full boning; perfect fitting; all durable; all sizes..... 34c. American Lady Corsets, \$1.00. Every figure can be fitted in this well-known corset. Made of finest materials; if not satisfactory, all shapes, all sizes, all weights..... \$1.00. \$1.00 and \$1.50 Gloves, 77c. Imported French and German gloves in black, white, tan, and gray, with self or contrasting contrasting patterns. All sizes..... 77c. \$1.00 and 75c Long Silk Gloves, 47c. Double finger tips, pure thread silk, black and white mercerized silk lisle thread gloves. Famous Kayser make. All sizes..... 47c. 50c Kayser's Silk Lisle Gloves, 24c. Putty, gray, black, and white mercerized silk lisle thread gloves. Famous Kayser make. All sizes..... 24c. 25c Silk Hosiery, 15c. Pure thread silk hose, with high-spliced heels and double toes and elastic garter tops. All colors..... 15c. 39c All Colors Silk Hosiery, 24c. Sand, putty, Belgium, navy and light blue, gray, green, lavender, pink, white, black, tan, etc. Pure thread silk hose..... 24c. 12 1/2c Children's Black Ribbed Hosiery, 5c. Double knees, heels, and toes; fast color stockings; small sizes only. 1-day price..... 5c. 25c Dress Buttons, 9c Card. Fashionable Dress Buttons, silver or gold enamel, pure pearl, velvet, and silk covered buttons. A splendid assortment of nobby, dark, and medium colors..... 9c. 50c Men's Silk Ties, 29c. Men's New Spring All-Silk Neckwear. Wide, flowing end Four-inches, and extra long perials, particularly fine line of light, dark, and medium colors..... 29c. 10c Vest, 6 1/2c. 200 dozen Bleached Ribbed Vests, with tape in armholes. Perfect fitting, full cut..... 6 1/2c. 39c Women's Union Suits, 25c. Nice hosiery finish, in regular or extra size, with lace trimmed knees and yokes. Monday only..... 25c. 25c Women's Ribbed Shirts and Pants, 17c. Knee length umbrella pants, with lace trimming, high neck, long sleeve neck to match. Monday only..... 17c. 75c and \$1.00 Women's Silk Lisle Union Suits, 40c. Long or short length pants; tight or loose fitting; high or low neck. Long or short sleeve suits; regular or extra sizes..... 49c.

Muslin Underwear Bargains. 50c Women's Gowns, 27c. Made of good quality cotton, in slip-on style, with lace and embroidery trimmed yoke and sleeves. Full cut style made. One day..... 27c. \$1.00 Yard Wide Silk Poplins, 59c. We have just received another lot of these rich, lustrous, splendidly woven silk poplins, which retail everywhere for \$1.00 a yard. You'll find here a most complete line of shades, suitable for evening or street wear. A dress pattern free with each purchase..... 59c. \$1.00 and \$1.50 Gloves, 77c. Imported French and German gloves in black, white, tan, and gray, with self or contrasting contrasting patterns. All sizes..... 77c. \$1.00 and 75c Long Silk Gloves, 47c. Double finger tips, pure thread silk, black and white mercerized silk lisle thread gloves. Famous Kayser make. All sizes..... 47c. 50c Kayser's Silk Lisle Gloves, 24c. Putty, gray, black, and white mercerized silk lisle thread gloves. Famous Kayser make. All sizes..... 24c. 25c Silk Hosiery, 15c. Pure thread silk hose, with high-spliced heels and double toes and elastic garter tops. All colors..... 15c. 39c All Colors Silk Hosiery, 24c. Sand, putty, Belgium, navy and light blue, gray, green, lavender, pink, white, black, tan, etc. Pure thread silk hose..... 24c. 12 1/2c Children's Black Ribbed Hosiery, 5c. Double knees, heels, and toes; fast color stockings; small sizes only. 1-day price..... 5c. 25c Dress Buttons, 9c Card. Fashionable Dress Buttons, silver or gold enamel, pure pearl, velvet, and silk covered buttons. A splendid assortment of nobby, dark, and medium colors..... 9c. 50c Men's Silk Ties, 29c. Men's New Spring All-Silk Neckwear. Wide, flowing end Four-inches, and extra long perials, particularly fine line of light, dark, and medium colors..... 29c. 10c Vest, 6 1/2c. 200 dozen Bleached Ribbed Vests, with tape in armholes. Perfect fitting, full cut..... 6 1/2c. 39c Women's Union Suits, 25c. Nice hosiery finish, in regular or extra size, with lace trimmed knees and yokes. Monday only..... 25c. 25c Women's Ribbed Shirts and Pants, 17c. Knee length umbrella pants, with lace trimming, high neck, long sleeve neck to match. Monday only..... 17c. 75c and \$1.00 Women's Silk Lisle Union Suits, 40c. Long or short length pants; tight or loose fitting; high or low neck. Long or short sleeve suits; regular or extra sizes..... 49c.

Infants' Coats and Bonnets. \$3.00 White Serge Coats, \$1.75. Handsomely embroidered cream serge coats for tots 4 years of age. Warmly lined and well made..... \$1.75. \$1.50 Long and Short Coats, 98c. Lace trimmed collar and silk lined bodice. Trimmed shoulder straps; Bedford Cord Coats for infants, in long or short lengths; warmly lined..... 98c. \$2 Straw and Mull Bonnets, 98c. Handsome straw all-over embroidered and fine mull Bonnets; poke or turban style ribbons, flowers and cherry trimmings..... 98c. \$1.69 French Dresses, 98c. Ten new style and exquisitely trimmed, long waisted dresses. Some have double ruffles. Two to six sizes..... 98c. 10c Vest, 6 1/2c. 200 dozen Bleached Ribbed Vests, with tape in armholes. Perfect fitting, full cut..... 6 1/2c. 39c Women's Union Suits, 25c. Nice hosiery finish, in regular or extra size, with lace trimmed knees and yokes. Monday only..... 25c. 25c Women's Ribbed Shirts and Pants, 17c. Knee length umbrella pants, with lace trimming, high neck, long sleeve neck to match. Monday only..... 17c. 75c and \$1.00 Women's Silk Lisle Union Suits, 40c. Long or short length pants; tight or loose fitting; high or low neck. Long or short sleeve suits; regular or extra sizes..... 49c.