

GIVES AUSTRIA NO CHANCE TO BUDGE ISSUE

Second American Note On
Ancona Affair Brief But
To The Point.

CULPABILITY PROVED
BEYOND DOUBT

Rules violated by the act
so universally recognized
U.S. does not consider
points debatable.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The United States will not argue with Austria any points involved in the sinking of the Ancona. In the second American note to the Vienna government, made public by the State Department today, when it was delivered to the Austrian foreign minister, Count Von Burian, in Vienna, this government states that it must "renew the definite but respectful demands made in its communication of the sixth of December."

This second note, extremely brief, is friendly in tone, but leaves no doubt of the determination that Austria shall make full reparation for American lives lost and punishment of the Austrian admiral whose command was responsible for the sinking of the Ancona, which was delivered at Vienna on Dec. 15, 1915, and transmitted to Washington, and has given the note immediate and careful consideration.

"On November 15, 1915, Baron Zwiernitz, the charge d'affaires of the

Imperial and Royal government at Washington, transmitted to the Department of State a report of the Austro-Hungarian admiral with regard to the sinking of the steamship Ancona, in which it was admitted that the vessel was torpedoed after her engines had been stopped and when passengers were still on board.

"This admission alone is, in the view of the government of the United States, sufficient to fix upon the commander of the submarine which fired the torpedo the responsibility for having wilfully violated the recognized law of nations and entirely disregarded those humane principles which every belligerent should observe in the conduct of war at sea.

"In view of these admitted circumstances the government of the United States feels justified in holding that the details of the sinking of the Ancona, the weight and character of the additional testimony corroborating the admiral's report, and the number of Americans killed or injured are in no way essential matters of discussion.

"The culpability of the commander is in any case established, and the undisputed fact is that citizens of the United States were killed, injured, or put in jeopardy by his lawless act.

Not Debatable.

"The rules of international law and the principles of humanity, which were thus wilfully violated by the commander of the submarine, have been so long and so universally recognized, and are so manifest from the standpoint of right and justice, that the government of the United States does not feel called upon to debate them and does not understand that the Imperial and Royal government questions or disputes them.

"The government of the United States therefore finds no other course open to it but to hold the Imperial and Royal government responsible for the act of its naval commander and to renew the definite but respectful demands made in the communication of the sixth of December, 1915.

"It sincerely hopes that the foregoing statement of its position will enable the Imperial and Royal government to perceive the justice of those demands and to comply with them in the same spirit of frankness and with the same concern for the good relations now existing between the United States and Austria-Hungary which prompted the government of the United States to make them.

"(Signed) LANSING."

The Text.

Addressed to Ambassador Penfield, the note follows:

"Department of State, Washington, Dec. 19, 1915.

"You are instructed to address a note to the Austro-Hungarian minister of foreign affairs, textually as follows:

"The government of the United States has received the note of Your Excellency relative to the sinking of the Ancona, which was delivered at Vienna on Dec. 15, 1915, and transmitted to Washington, and has given the note immediate and careful consideration.

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It is said that two other parties were concerned in the break in the police magistrate's office last night in an attempt to steal liquor stored there under the Scott Act seizure. The colored man, McCarty, now under arrest will be brought before acting magistrate Atherton tomorrow afternoon.

Over a hundred members of Company "D", 104th Battalion, left for their homes tonight to spend Christmas.

**CAUGHT IN ATTEMPT TO
STEAL VALUABLE PAINTING**

Paris, Dec. 22.—As he was embarking for America, Adolphe Cramer was arrested on a charge of theft of bonds, preferred by a Belgian broker.

In Cramer's baggage was found a picture thought to be a Murillo. The canvas represents the Virgin Mary seated, and holding the infant Jesus on her knee. It is unsigned, but is dated 1682. The canvas, which was insured for 15,000 francs, was, according to Cramer, received from an Italian monk, who claimed to have taken it from a monastery.



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