OF SUBMARINE ARFARE PRACTICED

Rott, April 19.—President long expected final warning w that the United States abandone her present meth-

erentually between Go

note to Berlin declares:

sen very patient. . . . a secreted the successive explanaas marrances of the imperial component as of course given in eneven against hope that it would to be - estble for the imperial s of its naval commanders as equare its policy with the recogn

a new owes it to a just regard for rights to may to the imperial that that time has come. t has become painfully evident to by outset is inevitable, namely, see of submarines for the destrucof an enemy's commerce is, of y, because of the very characof the vessels employed and very ds of attack which their employat of course involves, utterly intible with the principles of huty, the long established and inovertible rights of neutrals and mered immunities of noncombat-

"If it is still the purpose of the imal government to prosecute reand indiscriminate warfare eroed to the conclusion that there s but one course it can pursue.

Unless the imperial government sould now immediately declare and empire altogether."

may, been an isolated case, the congress and the country."

ight have been satisfied by a .diswal reparation and his proper punshment. But, it adds, this case "unhappily does not stand alone."

"On the contrary," says the note, the government of the United States is forced by recent events to conclude that it is only one of the deliberate method and spirit of indiscriminate destruction of merchant vessels."

The United States, the communication declares, considers the torpedoing of the Sussex not only proved by the evidence but actually substantiated by the German disclaimer of responsibility.

Attached to the American note as an appendix are the facts in the case of the Sussex. They show that three American army and navy officers found in the hull of the destroyed thip not only screw bolts which correspond in use and identification narks with those on German toredoes in possession of the French overnment at the naval station at but that American officers ctually found 13 pieces of metal which they have identified as

evidence, the note ed by Germany in her disby affidavits of

many's assurances to the United States have repeatedly been wanton-

are as much interested as the United States in the protection of neutral ment was not given to any of the bailigerent diplomate, as the controversy is regarded as being ciely between the United States and tions rests with the executive depart-

of warfare, because, she contends; it vote against any declaration of war is a retaliation for Great Britain's food based on any such reasons as those blockade. The ambassador has de-contained in the president's mesclared, however, that his government sage."

ue either will be assured or Count von Bernstorff probably will have his passports and Ambassador Gerard will be leaving Berlin.

The president had guarded his plans Senator Sterling (Republican) of until 10 c'olock this morning when he South Dakota, said: "I heartily apdisclosed them at a conference with prove of every thing the president Chairman Stone and Senator Lodge, the ranking Republican of the foreign lations committee, and Chairman Flood and Representative Cooper, ranking Republican of the foreign afaire committee of the house.

When the president had finished reading he looked up and seeing Senator Stone's grave face said:

"You look as sad as I feel." The chairman's response was to inuire of the president if he had told them all he had to say. The confer-

When the president reached the use promptly at 1 o'clock he was confronted by an assembly of grave senators and representatives, who greeted him with applause and later hung intently upon every word he uttered.

The president asked nothing of congress; he came only to inform it of his action. He did it in 15 minutes and congress went back to work solemnly impressed with the situation which confronts the country. The cene had been dramatically human, the president's demeanor reflected his state of mind, and an impartial observer would readily say the demeanor of congress as a whole reflected its sympathy.

towards which the relations of the United States and Germany had House to await the next one. America counts the hours while Berlin de-

anything.

tion of his government's solemn Mann. "The president never has loudly calling to giant No. 2 that his edges and that the ends of justice been neutral. He has been on the wife was being grossly insulted by

English side all the time. What he said about Germany, while it is grossly exaggerated, is a just complaint. But he could say just the same about England and our ship ping. substitute 'seizing ships' 'sinking ships.' It is a mistake to break off diplomatic relations with Germany. It is perfectly evident that the president, as a campaign political dodge, is trying to work up to a point where he can get into a war with Germany during a presidential campaign."

"The president's position is a complete repudiation of his note of January -8 regarding the arming of merchant vessels and submarine warfare," said Representative Cooper, ranking Republican member of foreign affairs committee. "The whole situation resolves itself into a question of whether the United States will set up a code of regulations which it may have to abide by when its sole defense is the

Senator Lodge, ranking Republican member of the foreign relations com-

"I think that the president could not possibly have done less in the cir-

"I don't believe the present course will lead to war," said Senator Chamberlain, Democrat, chairman of the military committee.

"I think the president was fully justified in the course he has taken," said Senator Wadsworth (Republican) of New York.

"If war comes out of this," declared Miss Majorie Lawrence Senator Kenyon (Republican) lows, "I hope the first to enlist will Miss Grace Reynolds be those who have insisted on riding Miss Emma Sandel on armed belligerent ships."

"It was a great address," said Senator James of Kentucky (Democrat). 'I regret that it had to be delivered. But what other course could the president have pursued? The limit had been reached. I hope Germany will quickly yield."

"The severance of diplomatic rela ment of the government," said Sens. tor Sherman (Republican) of Illinois. "If this brings us to the brink of war it is for congress to sustain or refuse to sustain the president. I should

"I know the people will uphold his Miss Ellie Kolb, R 2..... (the president's) hands in protecting Miss Jeannette Newman, R 5 the rights of this nation," said Son. Miss Lillie May Newman ... ator Curtis (Republican) of Kansas. | Mrs. E. D. Smith. Senator Gallinger of New Hamp-

did not think the action meant war. "I think congress must go very slow in the matter, however," he said. "I Miss Ruth Miller..... think a written message would have caused less alarm. I do not think it Miss Nannie Witherspoon .. will lead to war."

"This is a good time for every one Miss Lucile McLeod.. . to hold his head and maintain the Miss Annete Parott... balance," was the only comment Senator Stone would make.

COMPLAINT OF ROADS.

Bishopville Correspondent Says Highway is not Good Between Bishopville and Sumter-W. W. Kelley Miss Bessie Hatfield... Dies After Operation-Thinks England and France are Endeavoring to Get United States into War With Germany.

Editor Daily Item.

A great many more people went to Darlington than to Sumter to see the Birth of a Nation" and the auto owners gave as their reason that the road to Sumter was not in good repair and the road to Darlington was fine. If you folks would keep up our route to Sumter you would see more of us on the streets of your city and old time acquaintances would not be for-

Mr. William W. Kelley died at a local hospital on last Sunday at 2 p. m., following an operation, and was interred at Hebron on Monday morning.

Once upon a time there was a District Muster held in a Georgia town and in attendance were two notable fighters, each champion of his "beat."

'stirrer' known as The first actually crucial moment Now Ransey knew the prowess of these two giants and was very anxsteadily been drifting nearly a year he worked all day at his old trade of had come and been passed and the getting up a fight, carrying and bringpresident had returned to the White ing news at the saying and doings of the two great ones. But the genial giants showed no disposition to tackle each other. Yet Ransey never tired, Speaker Clark and Democratic trying one subterfuge, then another Leader Kitchin declined to comment until late in the afternoon, as he folan abandonment of its present on the address. They said they de- lowed one of the champions and his of submarine warfare against sired to digest it fully before saying wife into a store in which he knew the wife of the other champion was "The sending of a note to Ger- shopping, as he stood listening and giant No. 1, and demanded before the tative Flood, chairman of the for- know, would she kindly loan her the d the recent attack on the chan- eign affairs committee. "I think that clerk that was waiting on her, for a sel steamer Sussex, the note tells Ger- it will meet with the approval of few minutes and No. 2 graciously Just this way England and France are gave her consent and as the giant trying to egg us and Germany into a United States might have hoped that "I think this government should present gratefully acknowledged the the exharine commander acted in be neutral," said Republican Leader courtesy, Ransey bolted for the door,

Where Candidates Stand To-day.

All votes are added on the very latest model Burroughs Adding Machine. This Machine is furnished by The Burroughs Adding Machine Co., Columbia, S. C.

R. F. D.

11,360

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Manning, S. C. ******** At the close of the Balloting Miss Bonnie Bearon at 6 o'clock P. M. Wednesday, Miss Olive Corbett, April 19th, the standing of the candidates in the Daily Item and the Watchmar and Southron's Golden Festival and Voting Campaign was as follows: Ballots and nominations received after that hour will appear to the credit of each candidate in the next publication of the list. Division No. 1. This Division includes all territory within the city limits of the city of Miss Jessie Mae Anderson .. Miss Alice Barnum.. ... Miss Martie Boylo.. Mr. Willie Barrett....

Miss Coline Deal.. Mr. Harold Elmer.. Miss Gene Foresman..... Miss Katherine Flowers. . . 35,360 Miss Lurline Griffin Mr. Edward Hinson 46,420 Miss Mamie Ives. 36,270 Miss Marie Jones..... Miss Alma King.... Miss Mable Kolb Miss Vermelle Pitts.... Miss Pearle Seals.... Mr. F. R. Sineath Miss Macy Smith.... Miss Lucile Smoak..... Miss Mable Sparks..... Miss Kathryn Wilder Miss Eunice Williams..... Miss Evelyn Williams....

This division includes all territory utside of the city of Sumter in which The Item and Watchman and South-Sumter, R. F. D. Miss Lillian Blackwell, R 1.. Mr. Hubert Brunson, R ..1.. 51,320 Miss Mattle Cubbage, R. 2... 45,750

Miss Maurine Hammond. . . 44,220 hire (Republican) leader, said he Miss Aline Howle.. Miss Louise Hodge. Miss Lila McCall Miss Tula Powell Miss Elsie Rogers..... Miss Sarah Smith.... .. Miss Sarah Boykin. . . . Miss Luia Boykin.. Mrs. W. A. Boykin Mrs. Julius M. Green..

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Miss Thomasina Sprott. . . . Miss Gladys DuBose.. Miss Lena Rivers.. Miss Mattie McDaniel.... Miss Kathleen Arial.... Miss Frankie Boykin.. Miss Emmie Mimms.... There was also present a chronic R. F. D. Miss Agnes Reynolds.. Miss Ruth DuBose 14,560 Lynchburg. Miss Bounce Critcher. Mrs. W. B. Galloway

Miss Pansy McClam Miss Corrie Stokes Mrs. S. L. Thompson Miss Caroline Plowden .. . 37,410

many was as mild a position as the watching he heard the incoming whole crowd to know, whether he German president could take," said Represen- wife ask the other whom she did not was man enough to defend his own

Miss Julia Sistrunk..... 39,810

Then of course the battle was on. broil and then they could turn the bear loose and have some fun besides.

Bishopville, April 18,

Miss Jessie Hodge	57,680	MIS. A. A. Wells	58,380
Miss Pauline Hodge	60,310	Sardinia,	
Miss Janie Pack	58,380	Miss Annie Mae DuBose	19,410
Miss Edna Seymour	17,410	Miss Anna Wheeler	26,420
, Mayesville.	11,410	Miss Bessie McFadden	44,820
Miss Margaret Baker	64,670	Silver, S. C.	
Miss Mattle Lee Thomas	27,260	Miss Alma Felder	35,610
Miss Claudia Witherspoon	62,500	St. Charles, S. C.	
Miss M. Louise Witherspoon	58,260	Miss Louise McCoy	61,410
Mayesville, R. F. D.		Miss Marion D. McCoy	63,280
Mrs. H. W. Beall	26,670	Miss Ada Bell Smith	47,870
Miss Mary Cooper	19,460	Miss Ervia Wingate	18,390
Miss Mary McCoy Miss Garland McCutchen	64,120	St. Paul.	
New Zion.	51,260	Mrs. T. C. Howard	38,930
Miss Edna DuBose	27,610	Summerton	
Miss Fannie Flemming	18,250	Miss Lillian Cantey	41,520
Miss Effie Hardy	28,170	Miss Lucile Kilton	
Oswego, R. F. D.		Miss Lucile Mood	21,210
Miss Annie Bell McCathern	66,310		31,260
Paxville.		R. F. D. No. 1.	
Miss Eunice Barwick	62,680	Miss Anna Chewning	29,830
Mrs. T. W. Gunter	27,160		21,120
Miss Minnie Geddings	26,180		
Miss Ethel Graham	25,840	Miss Susie Holliday	25,260
Miss Ethel Corbett	10,090	Mice Doord Turberitte	
Miss Maggie Corbett	10,050		26,970
Miss Viola McLeod Mrs. J. W. Mims, Sr	38,270 44,180		
Mrs. J. B. Pack	26,120	R. F. D. No. 5.	
Pinewood.		Miss Nell Copeland	21,360
Miss Margie Barwick	64,290	Miss Kathleen Spears	21,610
Miss Pearl Geddings	26,820	Tindal, S. C.	
Miss Florence Stack	24,210	Miss Ida Cuttino	23,460
Providence.		Miss Marie Geddings	17,610
Mrs. E. B. Colclough	19,940	Miss Ida Ingram	37,876
Mr. W. R. DuBose Miss Louise Heriot	10,020	Miss Marie Jones	23,400
Miss Hattie Weldon	58,420		61,670
Rembert, S. C.		Wedgefield, S. C.	02,010
Miss Lula Baker	58,760		18.460
Miss Ila Mae Evans	12,290	Miss Gladys McLeod	18,840
Miss Nell Gillis	59,830		\$4,350
Miss Crawford Jenkins Miss Van Rae Kenney	64,270		42,880
Miss Myrtle Young	61,270		7115
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