

GERMAN CHARGE D'AFFIRES THOMASEN HAS FILED A NEW PROTEST AGAINST THE ARREST OF THE CREW OF THE GERMAN TANKER ARAUCA AT PORT EVERGLADES, FLA., IT WAS LEARNED TODAY.

THE NEW NOTE WAS SAID TO ASK FOR THE CREW'S RELEASE, CHARGING THAT EXAMINATION PROVED THERE HAD BEEN NO SABOTAGE ABOARD THE ARAUCA AND THEREFORE THE MEN WERE NOT LIABLE TO PROSECUTION.

IT ALSO NOTED THAT THE ARAUCA HAD SOUGHT REFUGE AT PORT EVERGLADES WHEN PURSUED BY A BRITISH SHIP WHICH, THE NOTE CHARGED, WAS ITSELF VIOLATING U.S. TERRITORIAL WATERS.

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MIAMI.--QUESTIONING OF THE 43 CREW MEMBERS OF THE GERMAN FREIGHTER ARAUCA BY IMMIGRATION INSPECTORS HALTED TODAY AFTER A NAZI CONSULAR OFFICIAL DEMANDED THAT LEGAL COUNSEL BE PROVIDED.

CAPT. FREDERICH STENGLER AND SEVERAL CREW MEMBERS OF THE FREIGHTER, SEIZED AT PORT EVERGLADES, WERE QUESTIONED YESTERDAY. THE REQUEST FOR COUNSEL CAME FROM DR. ANTON WAGNER, COMMERCIAL ATTACHE OF THE GERMAN CONSULATE AT NEW ORLEANS, WHO ATTENDED THE QUESTIONING YESTERDAY.

STENGLER AND THE CREW ARE BEING HELD IN THE DADE COUNTY JAIL.

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