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TALY READY TO DENOUNCE TRIPLE ALLIANCE; AUSTRIA MASSES MEN ON FRONTIER

Severance of Treaty Bonds to Permit Free Action, Reported in

Dual Monarchy Rushes Infantry and Artillery by Special Trains to Province of Goerz as Move to Forestall Inva-

me Papers Certain of War Unless "Lost" Territory Is Ceded-Francis Joseph's Fleet Concentrates at Adriatic Base.

ROME, March 19. inly is preparing to denounce the riole Alliance treaty, linking it with atria and Germany, according to rets from various sources this after-Baron Soninno, Minister of For-Affairs, it is reported, is making by to take this drastic step to force strin to cede territory to Italy or face paly's participation in the war on the to of the Allies.

In official circles it was admitted that formal announcement that Italy no more regards the Triple Alliance treaty aerving her best interests is one of the coabilities in the present situation. is privately admitted that the sitn has grown more grave in the last

hours.

It was carefully pointed out, however, st, should the Foreign Minister ansance this action, it must not be conrued as a definite step toward war, aving once made itself a free agent by souncing the old treaty. It was started denouncing the old treaty, it was stated the Government will be in a better posi-tion to negotiate with both sides on de-termining what course it is to pursue.

LONDON, March 19. The arrival of special trains in the Province of Goerz with 400 August 1909s and artillery caused a panic on the unofficial bourse at Trieste," says a of Goerz with 4000 Austrian

tch from Venice. The arrival of the troops, taken in consian prisoners and Galician refugees working on defensive fortifications in untino, is taken to indicate that Austria feverishly preparing against invasion. placed close to the frontier, for the astrians do not rely on the permanent cations, which are well known to Ralians. The Austrian plan is to set secret defenses against an invasion sich they now consider mevitable.

Virtually an entire army corps was sellned to resume the offensive against a Servians. It is gradually concentraton the western frontier, where Archite Eugene frequently pays flying visits. Emperor Francis Joseph returns to Italy all Austrian districts inhabited by War with Austria is inevitable unless mans, the newspapers Tribuna and Hernale d' Italia asserted in vigorous

THE WEATHER

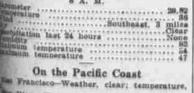


According to tradition, there are four saces. They are summer, autumn, winter and spring. As a matter of fact there are five: Summer, autumn, winter, bring and March. The latter not only steals certain phases of the other four for its particular use, but it puts across now and again particular brands of wather that can be placed in no category Citalds of itself. "Its funny," remarked the editor, going down in the elevator arday. "Here it is spring and yet when you go out, it's cold." "That's beme it isn't spring at all," we replied. but March." Of fourse, the fellow who wiste this weather stuff yesterday and rade a "pome" all by himself said it was selling but that's because it's easy to ante about spring but hard to write about

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity-Unsettled tonight, with probably light rain or snow flurries; Saturday genemlly fair; moderate variable winds. For details, see page 2.

Observations at Philadelphia



Diego-Weather, cloudy; temperature, 58.

Almanac of the Day

Lamps to Be Lighted

and other vehicles 6.15 p. m. The Tides

PORT RICHMOND. STNUT STREET WHARF. BEEDY ISLAND. BEHARWAYER.

WAR DEVELOPMENTS AS REPORTED TODAY

Austria has rushed troops to the province of Goers to guard against an Italian invasion. Rome newspapers declare that war is certain unless Francis Joseph cedes all Austrian territory inhabited by Italians.

Greece officially announces seeking "precise promises in the event of abandoning neutrality," indicating study of possible gains to be obtained by entering the war.

The French battleship Bouvet was sunk by the fire of the Dardonelles forts, according to an official Constantinople statement.

Three more British steamships were sunk by German submarines in the English Channel in the last 24

FRENCH BATTLESHIP SUNK BY DARDANELLES FORTS, TURKS REPORT

Bouvet Sent to Bottom While Shelling Defenses. Loss of Submarine Admitted by British Admiralty.

LONDON, March 19,

The Turkish War Office announced today that the French battleship Bouvet has been sunk by the Dardanelles forts in the official statement issued it also said that Turkish warships had taken the offensive in the Black Sea, bombarding and setting on fire the shipyards and torpedo destroyer station west of the

The official statement follows: "A portion of our fleet on Thursday morning bombarded the shipyards and torpedo boat depot west of Theodosia in the Crimea, firing them. Early on the same day the enemy's fleet heavily shelled the Dardanelles forts, which replied effectively. The French ship

Russian port of Theodosia.

replied effectively. The French ship Bouvet was sunk."

The French battleship Bouvet carries a complement of more than 600 men. No information has been received here as to whether any of these were saved, but it is probable that most of them were picked up by other ships in the attack-

ing squadron.

The official statement indicated that the Bouvet was sunk inside the strait. The allied fleet, the War Office stated, opened swinging in at close range and hurling shells at intervals at less than a minute. The forts returned the fire and shelled the Anglo-French warships with great effectiveness. Unofficial reports said that several of the enemy's warships with-drew from the battle line, badly crippled. before the Bouvet suddenly tilted over

and began to go down.
Following the disaster to the Bouvet, the allied fleet withdrew, steaming out of sight off Tenedos Island. Rumors were circulated here today that the at-tempt to force the Dardanelles may be abandoned.

Accurate fire of the German gunners who are working the great Krupp guns in the Turkish forts on the Dardanelles has caused a cessation of the concen-trated bombardment of the Turkish

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COAL TAX FOR ROAD FUND

Attorney General Has Bill to Raise \$4,500,000 a Year.

HARRISBURG, March 19 .-- When the Legislature meets Monday evening, Attorney General Francis Shunk Brown will submit a bill taxing anthracite coal for road purposes in Pennsylvania. The bill is designed to raise about \$4,500,000 a year, to be devoted to construction work,

the automobile license fund going into

The Attorney General will also have a bill for the reorganization of his department and another providing that the Auditor General report to the Legislature on the first day of its session every two years the amount of unexpended balances on hand and available for its emergency

"KATY" ORDERS LOCOMOTIVES

Contract for 40 Placed With American Locomotive Co.

NEW YORK, March 19 .- An order for 40 locomotives has been placed with the American Locomotive Company by the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad. The Bethlehem Steel Company has also ordered one switching engine.

MAN AND WIFE ACQUITTED Charles Messner and his wife, Bertha, were acquitted today in the Municipal Court of being the cause of the dissension between the residents of the dissension between the residents of Union street, below Mr. Vernon street, West Philadelphia. Measurer was indicted for swearing on the public highway, and his wife was charged with being a common scold. charged with being a common scold. There were a score of witnesses on each

Breaks Neck in Fall From Scaffold Breaks Neck in Fail From Scaffold ELKTON, Md., March 15.—While at work on a 10-foot scaffold at the ship-yard of the Southern Transportation Company, near Chesapeake City, this morning, George Fillingame, 58 years old, fell backward to the ground below and broke his neck. He is survived by a widow and several children.

Santo Domingo Governor Killed NEW YORK, March 12.—News of the assassination of Governor Zayas, of Santo Domingo, and two of his children by political enemies at Azus, an interior town, was brought here today by the steamer Iroquols. He had been in affice but two

THREE BRITISH SHIPS TORPEDOED BY SUBMARINE

Blue Jacket, Latest Victim of Germans, Struck Off Beachy.

LONDON, March 19.-Three British steamships have been torpedoed in British waters by German submarines during the last 36 hours. The latest victim is the Blue Jacket, a vessel of 3515 tons, whose home port is Cardiff. The Blue Jacket was torpedoed today

went by south of Beachy Head. The torpedo launched by the German submarine failed to sink the vessel, but she was badly damaged. Eleven members of the crew were landed at Beachy Head. Fifteen others

in the English Channel, about 15 miles

remained on board the vessel, to whose assistance other boats immediately has-The other victims of the German torpedoes were the steamship Glenartney, which was sunk yesterday, and the Hyn-lord, which was torpelloed off East-

bourne, in the English Channel, last night. One member of the Hynford's crew was lost, but the vessel was able to keep affoat, putting into Deal today. These latest submarine attacks ocurred in the same section of the English Channel and are believed to have been made by the same underwater boat.

CAPTURE GIRLS WHO ESCAPED

Three Inmate of Detention Home Returned to Institution.

Three girls, who escaped from the detention house of the Court Aid Society, at 17th and Summer streets, Sunday evening, by sliding down a rope made of bed sheets, have been caught by the police and returned to the care of the sacrets.

society.

The girls are Anna McDade, Helen Massey and Mrs. Anna Burov, each 18 years old. They were taken in custody by Acting Detectives Stocker and Barron, of the 11th and Winter streets police station. Miss Bertha Freeman, representation. tive of the Court Ald Society at City Hall, has written a letter to Director Porter asking that the policemen be commended for their clever work on the

ACCUSED BY U. S. AGENTS

Secret Service Men Arrest C. M. Wright in Wilmington,

Secret service men are investigating the business of C. M. Wright, who was arrested in Wilmington toda you the charge of impersonating a ceret service The prisoner was also accused of forgery, it is said, and, according to Chief Griffin, passed a bad check for \$1 2on John A. Martin, a saloon keeper, of 1600 Sansom street, by representing himself as a Government agent. Wright was brought to this city and will have a hearing late this afternoon or to-

The prisoner had a store in Wilmington and although no goods were found in it, according to Government agents, shipments are alleged to have been sent there. According to cards which Wright had printed, he was a dealer in imported goods. A check given by him to C. H. Gray, a Wilmington printer, secret service men say, was forthless.

MRS. PANKHURST SEES WOE IF KAISER WINS

'Germanization" Means Blow to Civilization-Setback to Feminine Movement.

By WILLIAM G. SHEPHERD Cipyright, 1915, by the United Press. Copyrighted in Great Britain. LONDON, March 19.

A world conquest by Imperial Germany and a "Germanization" of women would deal a heavy blow at civilization, Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, English militant suffragette leader, declared in an interview today.

Mrs. Pankhurst was discussing with me the appeal of President Runelman, of the Board of Trade, for organization of English women to aid in the war. The milltants, she said welcomed the chance to show that women may be made an im-

portant asset. "It would be a terrible disaster if the Germans conquered the world," she said. "The Germans, I must admit, take good care of their women. But they regard them as-I don't like to use the word-breeders. They consider them solely as a means of maintaining the race. On the other hand a conquest of Germany by the Allies will mean not only the libera-tion of civilization, but the liberation of German men and women from German

There is no necessity, nor will there the any, for English women actually to take up arms, Mrs. Pankhurst said with a smile, but it is the duty of English women to perform the normal work of the nation while the men are at the front, if they are needed.

"The suffragettes always have wanted the Government to research English women."

the Government to regard English women as a reserve force," she said. "For cen-turies the vast intelligence and capability of women have been a waste product,

but this war has demonstrated that women may be made an asset.

"Two-thirds of the men in the new Kitchener army are married. British women who have control over men are insisting that they join the British forces. It's the hardelers who are holding back. It's the hachelors who are holding back. They lack the woman's influence.
"We suffragettes love our country just
as all the women of England do. We

as all the women of England do. We could have gone to America, where women are getting the vote, or to some Finglish colony, but we remain in England because of our love for the country. "We feel that a German victory would set back the femining movement indefinitely, and we know that the women of England can be converted into a fre-England can be converted into a tre-mendous asset in assisting the Allies' caruse.

Boy Kills Girl and Himself

ORANGEVILLE, Ont., March 19 .- Mrs. Robert Armstrong, wife of an Orangeville farmer, returned to her house early today and found that James Stevens, an immigrant boy employed about the place, had killed Violet Armstrong, her 16-yearold daughter, by cutting her throat Shortly afterward the boy had walked downstairs and cut his own threat. No malive for the crims is known.

FIRST STRAW HAT OF YEAR DEFIES CHESTNUT STREET



Reginald's Ears Burn Under Mocking Comment Until He Gets Up the Courage to Invite Some One to "Knock It Off."

No general ever faced the enemy with | gested a frail creature with a mosquito more bravery than C. O. Reginald, of Atlantic City, who strutted defiantly under the first straw hat of the season on Chestnut street this afternoon. He appeared nacious of the attr he among the everyday paraders. When-

ever he stopped, the crowd stopped, too-A dark, conservative suit emphasized the nattiness of the male millinery, which was of the plain and sincere type, despite its early debut. The haberdashery effects of Reginald were also in keeping with his sartorial environment and his aquiline features set well under the nicely bal-anced thatched roof. As he ran the gauntlet of eyes down Chestnut street

ment which was shot out unsolicited from all sides. "I didn't know it was June," said a flip Johnny who prides himself on setting the pace for all new ideas in styles. "Maybe he's getting commission," sug-

Another monster audience filled the

have tried in valu to hear him previ-

inside the big wooden temple. So the

that they had not heard the whiriwind preacher or watched him battle with the

The sermon this afternoon was on

"Thou Shalt Be Missed," and it was on

of the strongest salvation sermons that

the evangelist has preached here. Sunday

pictured the golden street of the Eternal City and pointed to the vacant mansions that will be empty because men and

omen fail to heed his advice and fol-

"You take the loved once out of your

home," he said, "and it will be like a

sepuichre, regardless of your fine rugs, tapestries, bric-a-brac and finery. I could

take 'Nell' and the children and live in

And it'll be a sad thing to walk around and see 'for rent' signs in heaven. The places God planned for many men and

busy making money to assure themselves of an eternal home in heaven. All these

WOMAN DRUG VICTIM DIES

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., March D. Mrs. Louis Frankel, to years old died in the Emergency Hospital today, a victim of the Harrison auti-marcotts law. Her to-year-old daughter, also a drug victim, is expected to dis.

men will be empty. Some men are too

again urged followers of Christ

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a hut and be happy. But take them away from me and I would cry myself to death

SUNDAY FIRES HOT

Says "Billy."

"He just looks like 3 o'clock on the Boardwalk," whispered a fair stroller

to her companion.

But Reginald kept right on until he suddenly at 16th street, apparently un- reached 8th street. There he paused. So was causing He of the straw hat then drew a silver match box from his pocket, unconscious of the crowd. Then he lighted—a pipe. The onlookers gasped. "Whatdoyouknowaboutthat?" muttered a thin clerk with

a tired-looking derby.
Then Reginald turned on the audience,
"My name is C. O. Reginald," he said.
"I naid \$3 for the hat and wear it because I like it. If any one objects I'd like him to step up and knock it off. If he does, I can promise that something will impen. This is the city where the Declaration of Independence was signed. and I wear what I please without asking the permission of idlers."

The crowd dwindled, and if it said any thing else it muttered it confidentially. Reginald then smoked his pipe of peace contentedly and continued eastward

TRAINER THREATS ARE SHOT AT HYPOCRITES MAYORALTY SIGNALS

"You Might Give Your Heart to Councilman's Sudden Flare-up God and Make One Less," Believed to Be Invitation to "Get in Line."

Select Councilman Harry J. Trainer's tabernacle this afternoon to hear "Billy" threats to expose the "influence inside Sunday preach one of the few sermons and outside of Councils which juggled he is to deliver before the close of legislation" are coming to be regarded in the campaign. Many of those present political circles as a hint to McNichol had never heard "Billy" preach. Many Councilmen to stand in line for the next Mayoralty election. This developed toously, but could never manage to get day in reports circulated in Organization arrived early today to make certain that they would not be among those who will have to admit, after the next two days, circles about City Hall.

Trainer, who is a Vare leader in the 3d Ward, denounced in Select Council yesterday a change made in the text of an ordinance to appropriate money for improving the water supply system, whic, he said, had been made secretly and without consulting him, "by an employe acting under pressure from the Organimation's inner circle."

Trainer's unexpected flare-up in Councils is looked upon as the formal notice to McNichol men to stand in line if they want the Vares' support in South Philadelphia for a mayoralty candidate. The ordinance in which the alleged change was made was a McNichol bill providing for the release of money for the con-struction of water supply improvements in West and South Philadelphia and also for a sedimentation basin at the Torres-dale filtration plant, Trainer says. Some one deleted with a pen the words relat-ing to the sedimentation basin, and it was this that Trainer objected to. people are disappointing God, and the worst disappointment in the world is to disappoint God."

Trainer's charges, made with some show of indignation, were regarded as "unfortunate and embarrasaing" by some of the members of the Organization's inner circles. The outburst was especial-ly deplored because the ordinance against which Trainer complained was introduced unnecessarily as a trick play in the first place. Even if passed, it will carry no weight, and is of value only in increasing the printing bills of

Trainer persisted today in his determi-nation not to amplify his statement of

LATE BULLETINS

SUNDAY OFFERING NOW \$44,703.35

The total free will offering for "Billy" Sunday reached \$44,703.35 at 2.15 o'clock this afternoon. Until that hour 205 of the 400 churches in Philadelphia had forwarded their contributions to the Sunday Com-

VESSEL FOUNDERS OFF ENGLISH COAST

BRIDLINGTON, England, March 19 .- An unidentified vessel foundered during a blizzard off this port in the North Sea today. All her crew perished.

RAT POISON ON BREAD KILLS BABY

Thirteen-months-old Albert Hildebrand, 1616 South Percy street died this afternoon as the result of cating a piece of bread on which his mother had put some poison for rats.

"MY HERO!" IS GIRL'S FOND TERM FOR MAN WHO KIDNAPPED HER

Addolirata Merceara Willing to Marry the Energetic Suitor Who Whisked Her Off the Sidewalk at 10th and Reed Streets.

A spirit of romance mingled with an utter defiance of the law enters into two phian of prominent family, living temattempts at kidnaping by Italians, inspired by jealousy or fancied wrongs, the outskirts of that city late last night Singularly, one of the girls who was by an anonymous note and shot from amspirited away regards her kidnaper as a hero, because, as in the days of chivalry, he rode off with her regardless of punishment.

She is Addolirata Merceara, of 1315 South 11th street. She was whisked off the street while standing in the shadow streets, by three men, who fled with her to Chester.

from the house to which she was brought. has decided to marry the man who helped steal her away. "My hero," she calls this afternoon. The other girl is 19-year-old Alphia Busso of South 10th street. She was walking around Washington Square when

the three men attempted to drag her into an auto-hobits. The girl was on the running board when the police frightened the would-be kidnappers away. Behind the attempted kidnapping of Mas Merceara is a story of love which began in Italy. There she met Fasconi and later, on coming to this country, they met again. Their love was revived immediately by memories of other days. But while Fasconi was courting the girl, enemies, aroused by Jealousy, tried to spoil their happiness.

was worried. Finally so much pressure was brought to bear by relatives who heard these tales that the faith of the Italian girl was shaken and she told Fas-cont on Saturday that she could not

Shortly after reaching this decision. she wandered out to the street and somehow in her sorrow the appearance of the dingy stone walls appealed to her.

And so while she was standing there the three apparent strangers happened along in the auto and whisked her off. She was taken to the home of rela-

tives in Chester and finally escaped to this city. She is in bed today, and said she knew that Fasconi was one of her kidnapers.

"I will marry him as soon as he comes to me," she said. "for he is a brave man. I feel surue that the stories that he has a wife in Italy are all lies.
"There is nothing bad about kidnapping for love in my native land. When a man

loves a woman, he loves her with all the ardor of his heart and soul. He cares not for the law or police. All he knows is that he loves her-he loves

As the girl sank back on her bed she murmured "and that's how I love She closed her eyes for a minute. Then

"If he will only come to me I will marry him. I hope that he hears what I say—and I know he will."

In the case of Miss Busso three arrests have been made. The prisoners are Frank Cocero, of Marvine street above Fitzwater; Isaac Lechansky, of 6th and Christian streets, and Achille Ingenito, of 8th and Christian streets.

The attempt to kndnap her was made at dusk. While she was walking from her place of employment with her brother Salvator and her couusin, Oresto Grasso, an automobile passed them at 7th and Walnut streets with curtains drawn. It stopped beside them. Cocero

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ernor Brumbaugh's Bill. HARRISBURG, March 19.—Democratic State Chairman Roland S. Morris said today that both he and Vance C. Mc-Cormick, the defeated candidate for Gov ernor, would be active in the support of Governor Brumbaugh's local option

The House Law and Order Committee will meet with the Governor Monday, and on Tuesday will fix a date on which to report out the bill, according to his

JURY CENSURES RAILROAD

The Coroner's jury censured the Balti-more and Ohio Railroad Company for failure to provide proper safeguards at Passyunk avenue, today. Sergeant Duffy and Special Policeman McGinty, of the 17th District testified in the inquest into the death of John Allen, who was run over by a Baltimore and Ohlo engine at that crossing, that the gates have been broken since a storm early in Palescane. broken since a storm early in February They also stated that although the traffi paratively beavy from 5 a, m, to midnight a watchman is on duty only from 6 n'clock in the moving to 8 at night No one was found responsible for the ac-

F. STEELMAN BAIN, YOUNG SOCIETY MAN, SHOT FROM AMBUSH

Lured by Anonymous Note to Golf Links Near Savannah, Ga., and There Wounded - Doctors Say He Will Recover.

F. Steelman Bain, a young Philadelporarily in Savannah, Ga., was lured to bush.

Employes of a golf club in the suburbs heard the shot and found Mr. Bain after a long search. It was stated at the hospital in Savannah that he would recover. Mrs. Frederick Bain, of 2213 Pine street, Mr. Bain's mother, received a telegram of Moyamensing Prison, at 10th and Reed early this morning signed by him. He said he had had an accident and asked her to come to Savannah at once. She But she found that one of the abductors | did not know until informed by a reporter was Santo Fasconi, and, after escaping that the accident referred to was a shooting. Although nearly prostrated by the news, she will leave for Savannah late

> According to Miss Charlotte Baln, the According to Miss Charlotte Bain, the young man's sister, who lives with her mother, the family is at a less to explain the shooting by any other motive than that of robbery. He was extremely possible at Princeton, she as a, where he went to college, and had no enemies as far as any one of the family knew. The report that he was found on the lake of people ship to a lake the same terms.

spoil their happiness.

They told her that Fasconi had a wife living in Italy. Although he denied the charge, the stories continued and the girl south 23d street, and Mrs. Newbold Etc. South 23d street, and Mrs. Newbold Etting, who lives at the Lincoln Apartments,

Locust and Camae streets. Mr. Bain was graduated from the De Lancey School in 1910 and entered Prince-ton University the following fall. On the death of his father a few months later he left college and went into the cotton business in the employ of George H, Mc-Fadden & Bro.

Since that time he has been connected with various branch offices of that firm in the South. He has been in Savannah for more than a year.

PREDICTS WAR'S END JULY 1

City Statistician Cattell Says Slaughter Will Be Too Terrific.

City Statistician E. J. Cattell in an address before the Ocean City Young Chin at a luncheon in the St. James Hotel today predicted the end of the war by July 1. "With the advent of warm weather," he said, "the solders of the contending armies will be slaughtered at the rate of 5,000,000 a month. The ter-rible implements of destruction below rible implements of destruction being blessing, making war too deadly last ling.

"Even discounting the terrible loss of life that is going to transpire the next few months, the war soon would exhaust itself through the frightful cost. ar now is eating up more at the rate \$8.20 a second." The toastmaster was J. Clarke Moore. president of the organization.

AMERICAN MAIL STOLEN FROM TRAIN IN ITALY

Two Hundred and Twenty-five Bags Riffed.

ROME, March 19 .- A daring train robbery was reported here today upon the arrival of a mail train from Naples. Two hundred and twenty-five bags of United States mail, most of which was consigned to Germany, Austria and the Balkan States had been rifled.

The robbers, who have not yet been apprehended, are believed to have ob-

tained a large sum of money.

Alleged Murder Confession Alleged Murder Confession

Tony Se Fabricio, il years old, of 1991
South 5th street, according to the police, confessed today in central station
that five years ago he killed a man in
Potersburg, W. Va. The alleged confession was made after Se Fabricio had been
held in 1800 ball for a further hearing on
the charge of assaulting his wife. The
police of Petersburg have been notified.

The Kensingtonian Says:

It is rumored that Al Pedley, the re-tired show dealer, will play the show horn in class six band, and that George Wolfert, the baker, will roll the drum, while Dave Mathias, the feather duster manufacturer, will tickle the trombone.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST -In vicinity Wynnafiold, Faught's blood pressure apparatus in black leather case, the ward. The Fine et.

Main Small Each pures, in Waterwater's main floor. Remard W returned to 4561 Egringfield ave. West Philadelphia