MR. PRIDDEY HOLDS KEY TO MYSTERY OF "BILLY'S" HOUSE

At Least He Says He Does and Hints Darkly at Various Unpleasant Revelations to Be Made for "Some People."

He Managed Colonel Keegan's Business While Evangelist's Party Occupied Spring Garden Street Residence - Mr. Welch Still Scornful.

The mysterious man who knows all what happened at 1914 Spring carden street while the "Billy" Sunday occupied the house there has been Ben T. Welch, who discredits Colonel Charles M. Keegan's claim that ISI damage was done while the Sunday party was in the house, said the man who wrote a letter to the Sunday party in Paterson knew so much about the house ust beginning a suit for damages would be practically useless. Colonel Keegan

mks otherwise. Celonial Decorating Company, of 1314 arch street, who holds the key to the situation that has grown out of Colonel Regame claim. Mr. Welch suspected him of holding It. and Mr. Priddey himself

afrmed the suspicion. PRIDDEY HOLDS THE SECRET. "I know all about that house," he said.

There is probably no man in Philadel-There is probably no man in Philadelphia who knows so much about it—that
is while the Sunday party was there."

Mr Priddey, it appears, went about the
house with a pencil and notebook and
took down observations. So his statements wear a well-substantiated air. He
was manager for Colonel Keegan's busiments all the time the Sunday party was
ming at 1914 Spring Garden street. Mr.
Priddey promises startling disclosures.
He mat at his desk in the Colonial Decoming offices on Arch atreet and admitted
that he was the one disinteresed person that he was the one disinteresed person og all those involved in the Keegan

"I can't say a thing about it," he began,
"Tou see, if I favor the Sunday party
I will hurt myself among the liquor peo-I will hurt myself among the liquor peo-ple, and if I go the other way the church scople won't like it. In my business I deal with all kinds. But believe me, I know more about that house and what happened there than any one else in What did happen there?" he was

"I can't say now," he replied; "but, let me tell you, there will be some mighty unpleasant things coming out when this comes to trial. It's too bad there can't be a settlement.

"Which side will these unpleasant things injure?" "That's something else again." he answerd. "I can't say. But those things will be so unpleasant that I'd just as soon be in San Francisco as around here when the trial comes off. I have it all down on

paper. I can't say whether I saw any furniture injured or not. I can't talk about the marble dog or the missing wine rismes. It will all come out at the proper time; but that will be a bad one for WHILE "BILLY" SLEPT.

It feveloped today that while "Billy" day slept in his room on the second for front there were four quarts of while, five of Holland gin and several bitles of assorted cordials gathering dust and cobwebs three floors beneath him in wine cellar in the basement of the

There is some uncertainty about the amount of liquor that reposed in the wine cells while the "Billy" Sunday party was in the house. Ben T. Welch says he un-ferstood it was all taken out before the

party moved in.

But Colonel Keegan says it wasn't.

'I told 'em I'd clear out the cellarette the dining room," he says, "but where suid I put all the stuff I had in the

cellar? I had to leave it there."
It's all off between the Colonel and Mr. wich, since the Colonel's ultimatum exared yesterday. He had given the com milter until May 13 to reach a settlement "Mr. Welch will now have to talk with my attorneys." said the Colonel today. The time limit is up and I'll have noth-hig more to do with him."

When he heard this Mr. Welch snorted.

WOMEN ALMOST ONE IN OPPOSING A WAR

Mothers Declare for Peace at Virtually Any Price-Would Not Offer Sons.

How do American women regard the sur? If conditions should eventuate would make it necessary for Uncle ham to decide to enter the world confict in defense of our national honor, would the women of the nation put on a mays front and with a smile on their hes and a sword in their breast bid their or would they use their influence and pass to prevent such an expression of

The sentiments of Philadelphia women tte any indication of those of the country large, the feminine population is almost unequivocally opposed to bloodshed a means of settling international dis-

s symposium of opinions gathered by training Lienger representative from bars and women prominent in civic lies, they were almost without exceptions are almost without exceptions are almost war. Many of mothers, particularly those with sons the going age, declared for peace at sully any price.

intally any price.

Italia the Spartan women, who would salar have seen their menfolk dead than soling back at a time like this, these toman, all of whom had read the President's note to Germany with a realisable of the consequences which might enall declared themselves in favor of a salar patriotism which did not evince that in heart-rending and futile slaughter of the manhood of a nation.

WOULDN'T OFFER HER SONS. Mrs. George A. Piersol, chairman of the wman Suffrage Party, and mother of a grown sons, the youngest of whom a sears oid, said that if things should happen that the United States would drawn into the fight, it would be with

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she would see her sons depart.
"I would not give up one of my sons,"
she said emphatically. "I do not believe
in war. Not that I would ever want to
lift a little finger to interfere with the
performance of their duty as they see it,
but I think war is not only helnous, but
futile.

a sense of shame rather than pride that

futile.

"In the final analysis war is always settled by arbitration; why then the useless slaughter, the depiction of a nation for years and years to come, not only of its men, but of its money and resources.

"This summer I was in Germany when war was declared and not one of the women whom I spoke with wanted it. Even many of the men were against it. One man said that soldiers in the trenches prayed for victory to a God who did not recognize war. ecognize war.

recognize war.

"I would not presume." she continued.

"to criticise anything that Wilson or Bryan may do, but I believe the trend of evolution is toward a higher civilization into whose code war will not enter. The time was when the only way a man could get satisfaction for an insult was by means of a duel. That day is passed. We have progressed. It should be so with war. We should be beyond it. To fight now would be a step backward. It would be barbarous."

MOTHER CALLS WAR "INSANITY." According to Mrs. Harrison K. Caner, a woman prominent in Philadelphia so-clety and mother of four sons, no cause is weighty enough or no compensation great enough to justify a war.

"War is insanity," was the way she phrased it, "and I cannot conceive of any cause that would be great enough to make me sacrifice one of my hoya." Declaring her absolute faith in Presi-dent Wilson, Mrs. Edward Biddle, mother of Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, and a wide-ly known suffragist, voiced a strenuous disapprobation of war.

"I am with the President," she said, and have faith in his statesmanship, but I believe war would be the most ho rible, the most shameful thing that could appen to us." Mrs. S. Snowden Mitcheil, however, the

descendant of a long line of fighters, al-though she repudiated the idea of a war until all other means had failed, declared that peace at any price might be far too dear. Mrs. Mitchell is the chairman of dear. Mrs. Mitchell is the chairman of the Independence Square Committee of the D. A. R., the president of the Penn-sylvania Society of the Founders and Patriots of America, and the Honorary State President of the Daughters of 1812. I should not like to be quoted as favoring war," she said carefully, "but I think our national honor should not be trampled Some things are so terrible they justify war-the Lusitania affair, for instance. War would be horrible, but I

KRAKUS DIES ON GALLOWS

DENYING PRIEST'S MURDER Says He Killed Policeman While Un-

onsider the United States has been ver-

der Influence of Drug. WILMINGTON, Del., May 14.-Protesting his innocence of any connection with the murder of the Rev. Joseph Zeebris and Eva Gilman in New Britain, Conn. and making a remarkable statement that polleemen in New York and Boston were members of a gang of robbers to which he belonged, Peter Krakus, alias Melba. was hanged at the New Castle County Workhouse at 19:23 this morning for the murder of Patrolman Francis X. Tierney

on March 6. Asking divine forgiveness just before the trap was sprung, Krakus calmly re-pudiated a confession signed yesterday admitting participation in the New Brit-ain murders. He asserted that Charles Bernard Montvid, who was with him in Wilmington and now awaiting tiral in Wilmington and now awaiting trial in New Britain, is innocent, though Mont-vid has confessed that he stood suard while Krakus went into the house to murder the clergyman.

Krakus said he was under the influence of morphine when he came here, and did not know what he was done when he

not know what he was doing when he shot Patrolmen Tlerney, Sharpless, Mc-Dannell and Scott. He attributed his path of crime to falling in with "bad men" when 15 years old.

COURT OF JUSTICE PLAN RUSHED TO COMPLETION

World Congress Endeavoring to Fin-

ish Work in View of Situation." CLEVELAND, May 14.—The relations between the United States and Germany made clear in President Wilson's note today spurred the Resolutions Committee of the World Court Congress to rush completion of its draft for a world court

of justice. Permanence of the congress has been assured. Meetings will be held in a number of cities, the next probably in San Francisco.

Boy Badly Burned at Play

Five-year-old Homer Mathers, of 1013 Erie avenue, was painfully burned on the face and body today when he fell into a bonfire in the rear of his home, where he was playing soldiers with other boys. Passersby, hearing his scream, extinguished the flames and telephoned for an ambulance, which took him to the Samaritan Hospital. He will recover.

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GERMAN SUBMARINES WILL SINK MAURETANIA, SAYS BERLIN OFFICIAL

Nothing Will Deter Kaiser From Continuing to Wage Relentless War Against British Enemies, Is Assertion.

NEW YORK, May 14. A special dispatch from Berlin to the New York World says:

"The Mauretania or any other British liner will be torpedoed, sunk and meet the same fate as the Lusitania If our submarines can reach them; and that they can has been demonstrated. We will continue to ware war against England with the same relentlessness and remorselessness with which she is waging against it.

"Nothing will deter us from that; nothing will cause us to deviate from that course, except England's own action." Thus declared a high German Govern ment official to me today, when I asked

what the future submarine policy would

"Germany unaffectedly regrets and sor rows over the loss of so many neutral lives on the Lusitania, but the responsibility rests wholly with the British.

"Admiral von Tirpitz told you in Deto the knife, but England would have it. A nation that is fighting for its very ex-istence against so relentless and remorseless a foe as Germany is fighting, also has a duty to perform to its own women and children and noncombatants, and that is to fight for them with every means at

His jaws came together with a click and the look on his face made me think of a man with his back against the wall. With the Italian war cloud looming black and foreboding on one side, deep re-sentment of feeling against America on the other, with German soldiers fighting from Switzerland to the North Sea, Libau on the Baltic to the Carpathians, German troops massed on the Rumanian and Italian frontiers, waiting the decision of those countries, fighting in Turkey and on the Serbian fronts, Germany

absolutely is calm.

En route to the Dardanelles, I rushed back from Bucharest on hearing of the Lusitania, expecting to find excitement and Americans in full exodus.

Much to my surprise I haven't seen Berlin so calm since the beginning of the war. The composure and calmness impressed one almost as tey, and in the circumstances unnatural. This is so procused that even Americans have little

nounced that even Americans have little worry about a possible break between America and Germany.

So far as the embassy is aware, none of the American colony, which still numbers several hundred, has left or is pre-paring to leave. I found Ambassador Gerard somewhat grave, but not ex-cited, seconding President Wilson's efforts. He expressed confidence that President Wilson would find a course without a diplomatic rupture. Ambassador Gerard was anxious about the fate of his private secretary, Rivington Pyne, who was to have sailed on the Lusitania.



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Document of 1828, Cited in Note to Berlin, Shows Kaiser's Duty to Safeguard United States Citizens on Neutral Vessels.

Germany's obligation to respect the | time as the captors may think necesproperty and lives of citizens of the sary to prevent the inconvenience or United States, according to the treaty of damage that might ensue from their proceeding, paying, however, a reason-1828 between the Kingdom of Prussia and the United States, which treaty is cited able compensation for the loss such arand it shall further be allowed to use in the service of the captors the whole or any part of the military stores so detained, paying the awners the full value of the same, to be ascertained by the current price at the place of its destination." in the note to the Kaiser and incidentally was ratified by the Senate of the United States on May 14, just 87 years ago today, is clearly shown in the following excerpts from the treaty itself. by the current price at the place of its destination."

Officers of vessels of war of either nation who shall search any craft belonging to the other and having on board citizens of the nation owning the vessel, who in any manner molest or insult those citizens are held strictly accountable according to Article 15 of the Treaty of 1728, which is revived in the Treaty of 1828. The portion governing this reads:

"And to prevent entirely all disorder and violence in such case, it is stipu-

The document was signed by Henry Clay for the United States Government and by Ludwig Neiderstetter, Charge d'Affaires, for the King of Prussia, It was proclaimed on March 14, 1829.

Concerning the neutrality of vessels. Article 12, which was revived from the Treaty of Amity and Commerce of 1785 and included in the treaty of 1828, the latter document says:

"If one of the contracting parties should be engaged in war with any other Power, the free intercourse and commerce of the subjects or citizens of the party remaining neuter with the belligerent Powers shall not be interrupted. On the contrary in that case, as in full peace, the vessel of the neutral party may navigate freely to and from the ports and on the coasts of the belligerent parties, free vessels makng free goods insomuch that all things shall be adjudged free which shall be on board any vessel belonging to the neutral party, although such things be-long to an enemy of the other; and the same freedom shall be extended to persons who shall be on board a free vessola who shall be on board a free ves-sel, although they should be enemies to the other party, unless they should be soldiers in actual service of such enemy."

As to the shipment of munitions of war by either country to an enemy of the other, which munitions partake of the nature of contraband, Article 13 of the treaty of 1799, revived by Article 12 of the

treaty of 1828, specifically states:

"And in the same case of one of the contracting parties being engaged in war with any other Power, to prevent all the difficulties and misunderstandings that usually arise respecting merchandles of contraband, such as arms, ammunition and military stores of every kind, no such articles carried in the vessels or by the subjects or citizens of either party, to the enemies of the other, shall be deemed contraband so as to induce confiscation or condem-nation and a loss of such property to individuals. Nevertheless it shall be lawful to stop such vessels and articles and to detain them for such length of

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son's note to Germany.

The World said:

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tion, had only praise for President Wil-

"President Wilson's note to Germany

retary of State to the German Govern-

ment, every American citizen would be willing to affix his signature in approval

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Herman Ridder, in Staats-Zeltung;

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PRAISE WILSON'S NOTE

NEW YORK, May 14.

the place in question still contingerous as well. The nation desired that its rightful demands should be laid before the German Government, but it did not anticipate that the President would go so far beyond the plainly and soundly rightful scope of those demands as to invite a rebuff. In his fundamental demands the President is wholly right, and expresses the sentiment and the degire of the people.

and violence in such cases, it is attpu-lated that when the vessels of the neu-tral party, sailing without convoy, shall

he met by any vessel of war, public or private, of the other party, such vessel of war shall not send more than two or

three men in their boat on board the

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Article 18 of the Treaty of 1799, also re-

ofuge in any port within the jurisdic-ion of either nation. This article reads: "If the citizens or subjects of either

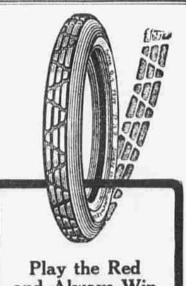
party, in danger from tempests, pirates,

greed that a merchant vessel belonging

ever, he captured or condemned for hav-

ing attempted a first time to enter said port unless it can be proved that said vessel could, and ought to, have learnt during its voyage that the blockade of

Tribune: "What he had to do Mr. Wilon has done with utmost simplicity, clarity, completeness. Speaking for a whole nation he has set forth the American case against the German Government in language that cannot be mis-taken. He has done more than this-he has drawn an indictment against the is and purposes of the American The Sun: "The President has spoken German nation which will lie for all ages to come if the Kaiser's Government fails now to meet the demands of the Presi-dent of the United States promptly and firmly. The country, supporting him as firmly, awaits without passion the Ger-The Times: "To President Wilson's com-



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fires have occurred in the last year. The blaze, which was discovered by Policeman Long, of the 11th and Winter streets station, is believed to have started from an overheated flatiron left on the table among cloth waste, at the close of business yesterday.

HEIRS ABANDON HOPE; WILL DIVIDE ESTATES

Lawyers Say Oath of Sailing on Lusitania Sufficient to Prove

The abandonment of hope on the part of relatives of Philadelphians on the Lusitania that any of those listed as "miss" ng" eventually would be found saved was made evident today by preparations for settlement of estates of the dead.

anid neutral vessel to examine her pass-ports and documents. And all persons In regard to the legal length of time or private, who shall molest or insult in any manner whatever the people, a relative must wait before the legal prevessels or effects of the other party, sumption of death is established, so that shall be responsible in their persons and property for damages and interest." * * * letters of administration may be taken out, lawyers said that letters could b taken out after the applicant had proved ived in the Treaty of 1828, even obliges ourtesy to the subjects of either party the are on board any vessel which be-ause of tempest or other accident takes that the decedent booked passage on the vessel and had sworn to his death. Affi

davits from abroad are not necessary.

With only six more bodies recovered yesterday, according to the English re ports, it is surmised that the missing ones were carried down with the Lusitania. with little likelihood of the bodies ever being recovered.

A cablegram to the Philadelphia Na-

nemies or other accident, shall take efuge with their vessels or effects, within he harbors or jurisdiction of the other, they shall be received, protected and treated with humanity and kindness—"
The safety of vessels bound for block-nded ports is provided for in a portion of Article 13 of the treaty of 1828, which reads as follows:
"Considering the remoteness of the respective countries of the two high constructions of the two high constructions and the treatment of the two high constructions and the two high constructions are the two high construc tional Bank said there had been no trace of the bodies of Harry J. Keser, a vice president of the bank, and his wife. Alba B. Johnson, president of the Bald-win Locomotive Works, received a cable-gram announcing that the bodies of Wil-llam S. Hodges, his wife and their 9-yearold son were not among those recovered racting parties, and the uncertainty re-sulting therefrom, with respect to the va-ious events which may take place, it is It was said there had been no verification of the report that 5-year-old Dean Win-ston Hodges had been saved. to either of them which may be bound to a port supposed at the time of its de-parture to be blockaded, shall not, how-

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