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PHILADELPHIA, SATURDAY, MAY 22, 1915.

TALY'S DECLARATION OF WAR MAY BE ON WAY TO VIENNA

Rome Expects Formal Declaration of Hostilities Will Be Served on Austria Before Night-Victor Emmanuel Appeals to People to Support National Honor at Any Cost.

Austrian Submarines Active in Adriatic-Troops of Both Nations Drawn Up Behind Border Intrenchments-Vienna Orders Bridges at Frontier Destroyed-King Signs War Measure and Cabinet Is Supreme.

Italy's war declaration is being personally prepared by King Victor Emel and will be sent flashing on its way to Vienna before night, according aspatches from Rome today. The King is also preparing a statement for semple, calling upon them to aid the Government in every possible way darking them to be prepared to make great sacrifices that the national honor their country may be upheld.

The King today signed the war measure passed by Parliament and the al became a law, going into effect at once. Parliament has adjourned and a Cabinet and War Council are now supreme, having full authority to take chatever steps are necessary for public defense.

Acts of war have men openly committed by both sides, and a formal proc-Non that a state of war exists or a direct declaration of war upon Austria be issued by the Italian Government. The report that the Italian Amdor to Berlin had been insulted on the streets of that city has greatly lamed the Italian people, notwithstanding that a prompt apology was made. Austrian submarines are active in the Adriatic, and captains of Italian any report that they have been stopped on the high seas. The Austrians have stroyed many bridges on the Tyrol frontier, and clashes between the soldiers et flaiv and Austria are reported, at numerous points. Both armies are throwup intrenchments along the border, and citizens are removing themselves and their effects from the scene of operations.

ROME, May 22. Haly's declaration of war is still withbid, but a royal decree signed by King Neter Emmanuel and giving notice to he world of this nation's entrance into the European conflict on the side of Engand France and Russia is expected beters night.

The "war bill' is a law and Italy is one the nearer hostilities. King Victor Emd today signed the measure conupon the Cabinet the full power It went into effect immediately. int has adjourned and the Cabih supreme

in supreme. mouncement that the King had signed "war bill" was greeted with cheers a crowd of 100,000 persons gathered be public square. A great procession shately formed and, headed by bands, rowd marched to the various departoffices, cheering for the King, the ters and for France, England and

The King called in his private secre-

THREE TRAINS CRASH ON ENGLISH RAILWAY; **100 SOLDIERS KILLED**

Troop Cars Smashed to Kindling in Collision Near Carlisle-Unwarned Express Plows Into Wreck.

other field sports, but the greatest spec-CARLISLE, England, May 22 .- Reports tacle of the day was the dancing, in received here early this afternoon indiwhich the entire body of 10,000 took part cate that more than 100 persons may have been crushed or burned to death in the wreck of three passenger trains on the Caledonia Railway near Gretna toin unison. Many hundreds of spectators had an opportunity to learn at first hand jus



WINS GREAT VICTORY AGAINST BARNES

Former President Triumphs in Legal Combat When Jury Exonerates Him in Attack on Republican Leader.

ROOSEVELT TO RETIRE INTO SECLUSION OF OYSTER BAY

SYRACUSE, N. Y., May 22.—Col-nel Roasevelt left Syracuse at 2:45 o'clock for Oyster Bay. He said "I am going home. I shall do my best to keep out of the limelight for some time to come. I do not expect to be interviewed or make

LORETTE HILLS FIRM IN GRIP **OF THE ALLIES**

Germans Forced From Last of Five Spurs After Six Months' Fighting.

British Troops Make Progress on Neuve Chapelle Front. Kaiser's Base in Alsace Threatened by Enemy's Heavy Artillery Fire.

Slav Counter Attacks Force Teutons to Give Ground on East Bank of San - Przemysl Bombardment Slackens-Invaders of South Poland Forced Back.

Aftr six months of desperate battling the French have succeeded in clearing the last spurs of the Notre Dame de Lorette heights, north of Arras, of the Germans. The German works on La Blanche Vie ("The Great White Way") were carried by storm yesterday, great losses being inflicted upon the defenders. The French losses are not stated in the official communique, but must have been considerable.

The Germans made desperate efforts to retake the height of Lorette, reports Paris this afternoon, but the French hurled their foes back with terrific losses. The French continue to gain ground in the drive.

Berlin reports the Allies are using poisonous gases and that attacks by French and English troops near Neuve Chapelle were repulsed. The British, in the meantime, have

made further progress east and south of La Quinque road, near Neuve Chapelle, while in Champagne, at Villa-sur-Turbe, German attacks have been repulsed with a loss to the enemy of 1000 dead and 400 captured. Heavy French guns are bombarding Cernay, one of the most important German bases in Alsace, and diapatches from Swiss points declare that evacuation of the town is imminent.

Russian counter-attacks have forced

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the Austro-Germans to yield ground

QUICK NEWS

PRICE ONE CENT

BOY DROWNS IN Y. M. C. A. POOL

COPTRIONT, 1818, ST THE PUBLIC LEDGER COMPANY.

Houston E. DeCray, 13 years old, of 2337 West Hagert street, was drowned today in the swimming pool of the North Branch of the Y. M. C. A., Germantown and Lehigh avenues. He had been in the pool with 30 other boys between 11 and 11:30 o'clock, but the fact of the drowning was not learned until 1 o'clock, when an instructor dove to the bottom of the pool and touched the body with his hands. Coroner Knight started a rigid inquiry.

TWO DEAD, TWELVE KILLED BY DYNAMITE

SYRACUSE, N. Y., May 22 .- Two persons were killed and 12 f injured in a dynamite explosion here this afternoon.

ITALIAN SEAL PUT ON WAR BILL '

ROME, May 22 .- King Victor Emmanuel this afternoon attached his seal to the bill passed by both Chambers of Parliament giving the Government full power to act.

TURK OFFENSIVE HALTED ON BLACK SEA

PETROGRAD, May 22 .- Attempts of the Turks to assume the offensive against the Russians on the Black Sea have broken down, according to an official statement. In the region of Olty outpost engagements have been occurring. Slav troop's have occupied Sarai, Van and Bashkaloch."

MOVE TO DISSOLVE U. S. COPPER SELLING COMPANY

TRENTON, N. J., May 22 .- Papers dissolving the United Copper Selling Company, a subsidiary of the Amalgamated Copper Company, a \$5,000,000 corporation, were filed with the Secretary of State today. Among the directors were William Rockefeller and John D. Ryan.

POPE TO DEFINE VATICAN'S ATTITUDE

ROME, May 22 .- Pope Benedict XV will soon issue an encyclical defining the Holy See's attitude as to Italy's participation in the war. This will be followed by a papal bull embodying new rules governing the Vatican's international relations.

SUBMARINE F-4 RAISED 150 FEET

WASHINGTON, May 22 .- The submarine F-4 has been raised 150 feet from Honolulu Harbor bottom, leaving it at a 125-foot depth. .It is being worked slowly in shore and probably will be brought to the surface in about four days, according to unofficial information the Navy Department received today.

VISITOR FALLS DEAD WHILE INSPECTING LEAGUE ISLAND

A visitor at League Island, S. Morris, 76 years old, 920 South Front street, fell dead from heart disease in front of building No. 121 today. The body was found by the yard patrol. Morris was pronounced dead by Doctor Allen, of the yard dispensary.

paring a document to be addressed to the people of Italy. In Government the it was said the document will be a stamation of war, signed by every mber of the Cabinet, explaining how lialy was compelled to resort to arms in order to safeguard her national honor and integrity.

ARMY AND NAVY CALLED ON. The royal proclamation will invite the people of Italy to perform their duty in the national crisis and to make all possi-Me sacrifices to insure victory for Italian arms. One portion, addressed particularly to the Italian army and navy, will call upon them to uphold Italian traditions and to bring a successful war to a speedy

A council of war was held last night at which General Zuppeli, the Minister of War, announced that all military preparations have been made and that Italy is low ready to strike. 'The nation's war strength is greater and more magnificent-b solidified than at any other time in the

billing of the Government. Martial law has been declared all Martial law has been declared all month northern Italy. Railway traffic angth northern Italy. Railway traffic on the Austro-Italian border to reported stopped. Traffic has been sus

ENVOYS IN SECLUSION.

It was announced today at the German and Austrian Embassies that Prince von Rusion and Baron Macchio, respectively an and Austrian Ambassadors, were a Roma. If this was the case, howthey were remaining in strict seon to avoid the crowds that continue

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when described above, we'll let you in

On the Pacific Coast

Lamps to Be Lighted

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day A large supply of amunition abroad the troop ship exploded with a terrific roar while villagers were battling the flames. A number of wounded, still pinned be-neath the timbers, were killed outright. Forty bodies had been recovered early

The folk dances, which in the last few years have become so important a feathis afternoon. A telegram to the rall-way station here said that the wreckage caught fire and burned so rapidly that many bodies have been incinerated, and it is believed the loss of life is much larged than at first reported. Three hun-

The difficulties of the rescuers were made worse when the third train, a Lonon express, struck the wreckage. fire broke out a second time and blazed up fiercely.

were driven back repeatedly by the flames. Some broke down and sobbed hysterically as they heard the pitiful hysterically pleas of the burning victims.

Of 500 soldiers on the troop train only 52 answered a rollcall after the wreck Some of thes oldiers were said to be ab sent aiding the wounded, but the majority were believed to have been killed or injured.

The village of Gretna, where the wreck occurred, is eight miles northwest of Carlisle, just inside the English boundary and across the border from the famous Gretna Green. Its one hospital was quick-

ly filled with injured, and scores of sol-diers and civilian passengers, crushed or burned, were had in rows in the fields at the edge of the village where they were attended by physicians. The Carlisle fire department was hurried to Gretna, but the wreckage was in ashes when it arrived. A number of

FORECAST.

For Philadelphia and vicinity-

Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday;

Observations at Philadelphia

8 A. M.

Almanac of the Day

The Tides

PORT RICHMOND.

CHESTNUT STREET WHARF.

REEDT ISLAND.

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bodies can be seen in the smoking debris. according to mesages from Gretna this Concluded on Page Two, Column Five

THE WEATHER TODAY

westerly winds.

For details, see page 2.

Frecipitation last 24 hours., Humidity

Minimum temperature

High water tomorrow High water tomorrow .

High water 1

Sun sets Sun rises ton Moon sets to

ture of the physical training in American schools, were excellently performed by the children. The Normal School mathe children. The Normal School ma-zurka and the Venus Reigen received the most applause. dred injured, many of them soldiers, have been removed to hospitals. For weeks the children have been preparing for the field day. In order to avoid confusion and to keep the number down to manageable proportions, the number of representatives from each school had been restricted to 32, and the competition was The The uninjured soldiers worked herolcal-ly to rescue their burning comrades, but Concluded on Page Two, Column Four

OSTENDORFF ON SICK BED: WIFE SUES HIM

Children of Institutions

in City Compete in Sports

on Belmont Plateau, Af-

ter Many Weeks of Prep-

Ten thousand children of the city

schools assembled, on Belmont Plateau

this morning for Field Day exercises. The

boys and girls competed in running.

jumping, volley ball, captain ball and

what the municipality and the State,

through the Board of Education, are do-

ing to promote the health of the commu-

nity through organized play and physical

training for its young members.

aration.

Doesn't Care Whether He Survives Operation, Says Son of Cafe Proprietor.

A man awaiting the surgeon's knife in the Hahnemann Hospital today was served with notice that his wife had started suit for divorce. He is Herman Ostendorff, son of Freedrick Ostendorff, proprietor of a cafe at 1231 Market street. The woman is Mrs. Mathidle Ostendorff, who is now living with her parents at

2912 Nicholas street. "I don't care whether I die or not," Ostendorff said when he learned of the divorce action. "If I die my troubles will be ended. There is nothing to be said

about my wife. She was always good and true to me, but the charges against me are without foundation." The couple once before had a misunder-standing. They were reconciled through slightly cooler tonight; moderate

a letter written by the husband. David R. Griffith, Jr., Mrs. Ostendorff's attorney, said that Ostendorff's treatment of his wife has made her position intoler able. She left their cottage at Beach Haven three weeks ago with their baby

Ostendorff is to be operated upon for appendicitis and abscess of the stomach. .Southwest, 8 miles Partly cloud He also is suffering with lung trouble.

Runaway Horse Badly Hurts Boy A runaway horse attached to a heavy wagon ran over and badly injured Jo-leph Bradley, 6 years old, of 1542 North Robinson street, at Robinson street and

Robinson street, at Robinson street and Haverford avenue, today. The boy was playing in the street when he was knocked down by the horze. He was knocked down by the horze. He was taken to the West Philadeiphia Homeo-pathic Hospital, in the patrol of the dist and Thompson streets station, with a con-tused hip. The police are looking for the driver, who left the wagon standing at filst and Master streets.

BAND CONCERT

The Municipal Band, under the direction of Benjamin Rosschman, will play this afternson at Beimont Fairmount Park, at 8 plateau, o'olock.

ject for some time to come."

at their recently gained positions on SYRACUSE, N. Y., May 22 .- William the far (east) bank of the San, in Ga-Barnes is a "boss." A jury so decided licia. The shelling of Przemysl has today in awarding a verdict for Colonel lessened in violence. The Austro-Ger-Roosevelt in the \$50,000 libel suit brought

against the former president by Barnes. because Roosevelt branded him a "boss" BARNES INSISTS CHARGES and linked him politically with crooked business and corruption.

The verdict was brought in shortly after 10 o'clock this morning. The jury New York, May 23 .- "The knowledge of the complete rectitude of my conduct must content me-which, after all, is the had been deliberating since 3.45 o'clock Thursday, a period of about 42 hours. The

only important thing in life." So declared a formal statement from 12 men finally arrived at a unanimous de-William Barnes, issued here today through his counsel, William M. Ivins, in commenting on the failure of his libel suit in Syracuse against Colonel Roosecision, after a legal mix-up almost unprecedented in the history of New York

State The verdict was a blow to Barnes and velt.

a complete surprise to Colonel Roosevelt. It was the common belief around the courtroom that the jury would report its "There is nothing I can say regarding the verdict of the jury in this matter, ex-cept that when I brought the action I utter failure to agree and be discharged by Justice Andrews, today. It was be-Roosevelt of collusion, combination or even dicker, between me and Tammany Hall, or Mr. Murphy, or any other Demolieved that Edward Burns, the Syracuse motorman, who first voted for Roosevelt, vesterday, and then reversed his vote becratic agency, not only for any corrupt purpose, but for any purpose, was absocause the court would not permit the purpose, but lutely false." jury to divide the costs, would hold out for the plaintiff until the end. Burns' demeanor when the jury left the

\$29,000, will have to be paid by Barnes. \$25,000 of this comprises counsel fees and courthouse early today confirmed this be-lief. He strode along unaccompanied by his fellow-jurors, his jaws firmly set and with an appearance of defiance. Immediately after the verdict was anwould be appealed.

nounced the jurors exchanged glances and there was an audible sigh of relief from every person in the court room. The poll Casimir I. Gelbel, the well-known artist of this city, has written from Canada telling of his arrest and imprisonment The poll being completed, Justice Andrews ac-cepted the verdict for Colonel Roosevelt and thanked the jurors for their five there as a German spy. He was held in jail in Montreal for two days on suspiweeks of service. Colonel Roosevelt shook hands with cion of spying on the fortifications of the

Bowers, his chief counsel, and with Concluded on Fage Two, Column Six Went to Montreal. John Bowers, his chief counsel, and with

IL CONSIGLIO DI MINISTRI RIUNITO A ROMA PER LE ULTIME FORMALITA

La Rumania Ha Ordinato Segretamente la Mobilitazione Generale dell'Esercito-Oggi Sara Forse Pubblicato il Proclama di Guerra e le Ostilita Cominceranno.

Quest'oggi subito dopo che il re ha firmato la legge che da al governo pieni poteri, si e riunito il Consiglio dei Ministri, si crede per decidere circa l'ordine di cominciare le ostilita.

Da Roma giunge notizia che si attende che per oggi sia inviata all'Austria la dichlarazione di guerra o si dia senz'altro l'ordine di iniziare le ostilita. Il re ha preparato questa mattina il suo proclama al popolo d'Italia, e nella notte aveva avuto luogo un consiglio di guerra nel quale erano stati presi gli ultimi provvedimenti per l'inizio delle ostilita.

Un telegramma privato da Bucarest a Roma dice che la Rumania sta segretamente mobilizzando il suo esercito.

Sul confine italiano orientale, cios verso Trieste, sono concentrati ora circa mezzo milione di soldati, e al dice che 300,000 siano concentrati nel dintorni di Bari, Brindisi e Foggia. A Roma ormal si considera come gia esistente lo stato di guerra tra l'Italia e l'Austria.

li re ha firmato oggi la legge con la quale vengono dati pieni poteri al governo per quanto riguarda la guerra e le spese e per quanto si riferisce al mantenimento dell'ordine pubblico durante la guerra. Il governo ha così potere di pubblicare decreti che hanno piena e completa forza di leggi.

Anche gli austro-tedeschi hanno ammassato grandi forze verso i confini dell'Italia, e si crede non impossibile che essi cerchino di invadere il territorio italiano. Il generale Cadorna ha pero tutto preparato per far fronte a questa oventualita

(Leggete in la pagina altre e complete notisie della altuazione in Italia.)

KAISER GIVES UP HOPE OF ITALY'S NEUTRALITY

BERLIN, May 22 .- From the headquarters of General Mackensen's army before Przemysl, Emperor William today sent word that he has abandoned hope that Italy will remain neutral. He has kept in close touch with the situation since he left for Galicia by long telegraphic reports sent from the German Foreign Office.

VON BUELOW TO LEAVE ROME ONLY ON ORDERS

PARIS, May 22 .- A dispatch from Rome quotes Prince von Buelow, German Ambassador to Italy, as saying: "I shall leave Rome only when I am ordered to do so., Never again will I set foot on the soil of treacherous Italy."

RUMANIAN ARMY SECRETLY MOBILIZED

ROME. May 22 .- Rumania is secretly mobilizing almost her entire army, according to private dispatches from Bucharest received here today.

HUNGRY MOBS FIGHT FOR FOOD IN STREETS OF MEXICO WASHINGTON, May 22 .- Hungry mobs have invaded the Chamber of Deputies and thousands have fought for the food distributed in the streets of Mexico City, the Brazilian Minister today reported to the State Department in dispatches outlining the situation in the Mexican capital.

ALABAMA'S TALLEST MOUNTAIN MEASURED

WASHINGTON, May 22 .- Cheehahaw mountain's peak, with an altitude of 2413 feet above sea level, is the highest point in Alabama, the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey today announced in a report on elevations in the State. The mountain is about nine miles south of Oxford, and its top is on the boundary between Talledega and Clay Counties. The report gives the exact latitudes and longitudes of about 600 stations in Alabama and Mississippi.

COURT UPHOLDS CHICAGO MOVIE CENSORSHIP

CHICAGO, May 22.- The United States Circuit Court of Appeals today entered a decree upholding the lower court's ruling that Chicago has the legal right to censor all moving pictures that seek exhibition here.

BRITISH SHIP SUNK BY SUBMARINE IN ATLANTIC

QUEENSTOWN May 22 .- The British sailing ship Glenholm, a vessel of 1968 tons, has been torpedoed and sunk in the Atlantic 16 miles off Berehaven, Ireland, by a German submarine. The crew was landed today.

The submarine fired 29 shells at the ship, when the German commander conciuded it took too long to sink the ship that way and fired a torpedo. The survivors, including the captain's daughter, rowed all night in two open boats.

ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF

Treasurer of U. S. Railroad Tie Com-

pany Held in Bail. WILMINGTON, Del., May 22.-Thomas E. Downey, who has had deskroom here for some time, today was held under \$300 ball to await the action of the United States District Attorney of Pittsburgh, on

a charge of violating the postal laws. Downey is alleged to have been treas-urer of the United States Steel Railroad

Tie Company. Robert E. Moxey, president of the con tern, was arrested yesterday in Pitta

The company claimed a paid-up capital stock of \$17,00,000, but the postal authori-ties say it is largely a paper concern, so far as they can learn. Downey could not give ball, and was sent to the Workhouse to be held.

The Federal authorities here assert that Downey is also wanted by the Federal Court in Okishoma on some charge pre-ferred there.

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The Kensingtonian Says: VIOLATING POSTAL LAWS

How horrible, boys, to think that Handsome Harry Pleuib should have potten his collar wet and his hands solled at the fire last Tuesday!

LOST AND FOUND

LOST-Thursday, 20th inst, small tan velves write bag, containing about 518. between Sith and De Lancay at, and 19th and Filter house at, Roward If returned to 522 Clim

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