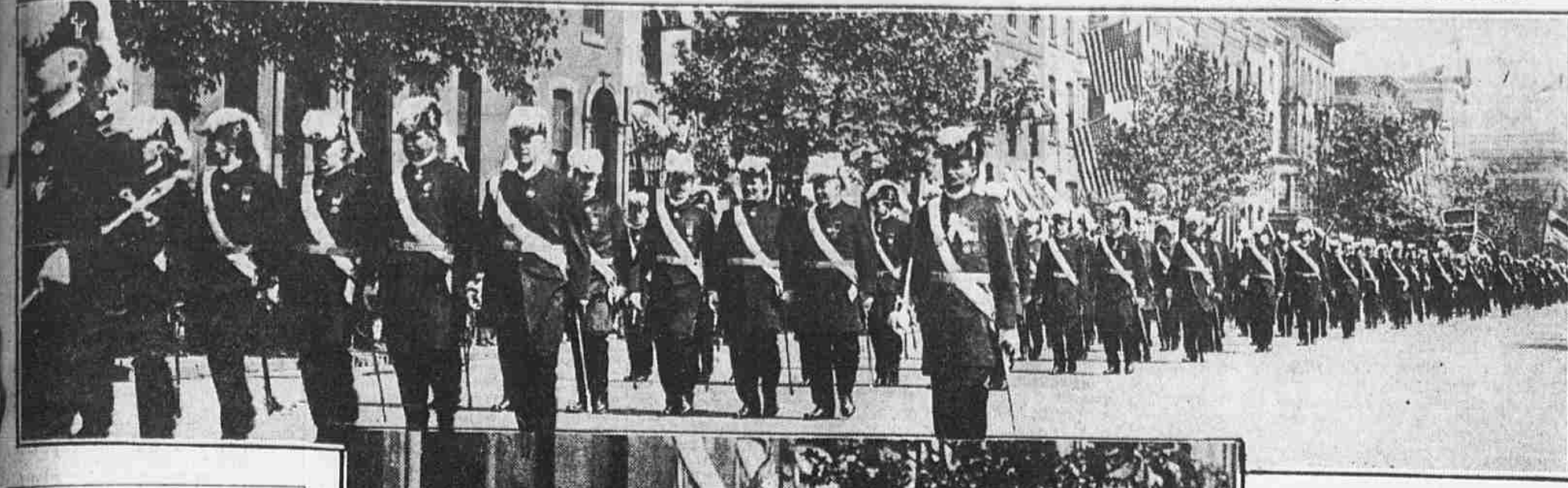


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DRIVE FOE FROM FIVE TOWNS

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR MARCH UP BROAD STREET IN SPECTACULAR AND PICTURESQUE PARADE

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POSITIONS IN
TRIESTE DASHPositions Between Jud-
zio and Isonzo Rivers
Captured, Reports
War Office in Rome.Italy's Destroyers Raid Porto
Buso, Destroying Flotilla of
Small Boats—Strict Censor-
ship Enforced by Roman
Authorities—Arrest Editor.

The Italian offensive against Trieste has resulted in the capture of five Austrian towns lying about five miles across the border, according to an official report issued this afternoon by the War Office at Rome. The towns are Caporetto, Cormons, Cervignone, Terno and Verza, all of which lie between the Judzio and Isonzo Rivers, and are but a few miles distant from the northern extremity of the Adriatic.

Earlier reports said that Italian cavalry had crossed the frontier in this region, which is known as Venetia, and that a large force of infantry was following.

A fleet of Italian torpedoed destroyers raided the Austrian harbor of Porto Buso, at the head of the Adriatic, sinking a flotilla of motorboats and capturing 47 prisoners.

King Victor Emmanuel has left for the front, where he will assume personal command of operations.

In the Tyrol Alps several sharp skirmishes have taken place, and the Austrian troops are shelling the Italian positions with mountain howitzers. The heaviest bombardment is taking place on the Adige, near Rivoli.

All the Teutonic envoys to the Quirinal and the Vatican have left Rome. It is rumored that the Italian Consul at Constantinople has been assassinated.

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THE WEATHER



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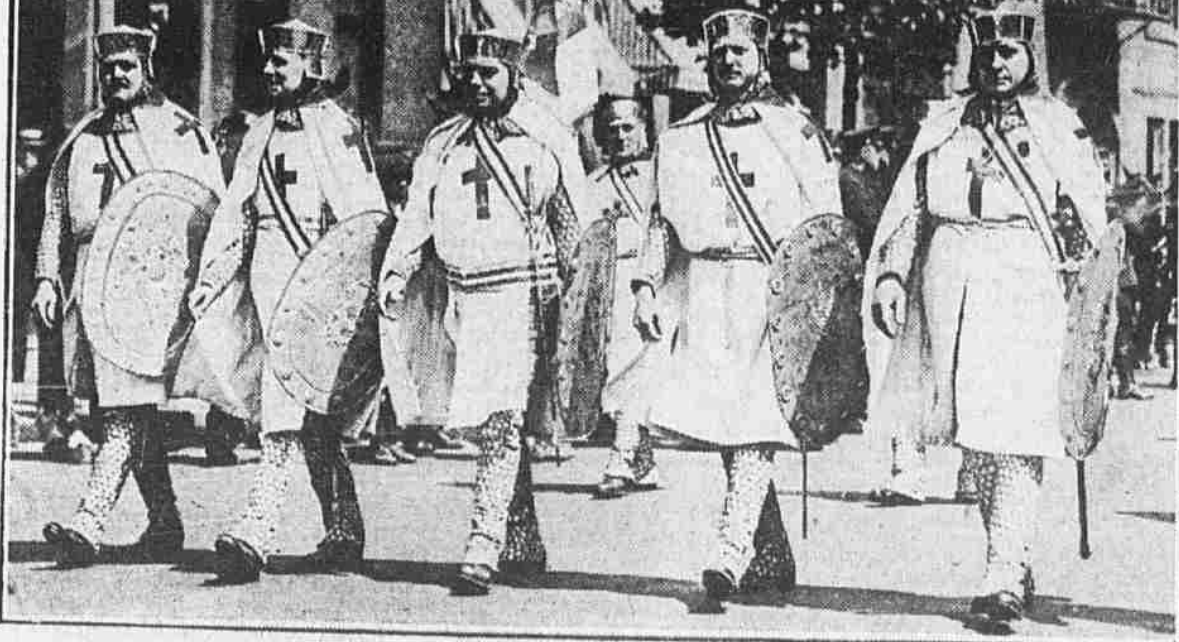
Our finalmente l'Italia partecipa alla guerra. Abbiamo indubbiamente una vittoria serena, finalmente. Sono due che ci danno ragione di sentirci un po' sollevati.

Dear! Look what we have done! The Neapolitan atmosphere that has engulfed us recently must have gone to our heads. Believe us, if any more of our clerical and war-talk gets started we will have to wander about with a wet head around our heads. When we showed our editor that first paragraph we fairly burst with pride. We expected a kind of "Hooray," he said. "If this country goes to war, the Star Spangled Banner will be sung, and so, you will write the weather in English."

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—For tonight, followed by increasing clouds, and slightly warmer Wednesday; gentle, easterly winds.

SUNNY WEATHER ON PAGE 4



The upper picture shows the knights of Mary Commandery, of Philadelphia, falling into line at Broad and Wharton streets. The lower picture shows Crusaders No. 70 in their striking uniforms, which closely follow the model of ancient days.

PRESIDENT PROCLAIMS
NEUTRALITY AS ITALY
JOINS BELLIGERENTSPenalties Prescribed for In-
fringements of U. S. Neu-
tral Policy Toward Ital-
ians — Transgressions
Enumerated and Defined

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The State Department today issued President Wilson's proclamation of neutrality between Austria-Hungary and Italy.

The proclamation is along the conventional lines and differs but little from those which have preceded it in the cases of the nations previously engaged in the European struggle.

"Whereas," said the proclamation in part: "a state of war unhappily exists between Italy and Austria-Hungary; and whereas, the United States is on terms of friendship and amity with the contending Powers;

"Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do hereby declare and proclaim that by certain provisions of the act approved on the 4th of March, A. D. 1909, commonly known as the 'penal code of the United States,' the following acts are forbidden to be done, under severe penalties, within the territory and jurisdiction of the United States:

"PENALTIES FOR INFRINGEMENT.—Here follows a recitation of the penal code's provisions against any act calculated to aid either of the belligerents. The usual provisions are also made for neutrality's preservation in American waters.

"And I do further declare and proclaim," adds the proclamation, "that the act of the United States of America, and the law of nations alike require that no person, within the territory and jurisdiction of the United States shall take part, directly or indirectly in the said war, but shall remain at peace with all of the said belligerents."

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MOTHER, WITH BABE IN ARMS,
TAKES POISON, BUT MAY LIVEDespondent Woman Plunges Down-
stairs Into Arms of Her Husband.

A mother with her baby in her arms swallowed poison and plunged headlong downstairs into the arms of her husband, who had heard the infant's terrified wailing. Unhappily, caused by her family's comments on her marriage, she is responsible for the woman's act, according to her sister, who said she had tried to buy poison three weeks ago.

The woman, who is expected to recover at the Methodist Hospital, is Mrs. Anna Anderson, 26 years old, wife of John Robert Anderson, a painter, of 2311 South American street. Late last evening she went upstairs, carrying her 15-month-old child. Suspecting something because of her melancholy actions, Anderson followed her. In a moment she appeared at the head of the stairs, walking unsteadily and clutching the crying baby tightly. Then she fell and Anderson caught her. The baby was taken to the hospital with her, as it was thought she might have given it some of the poison.

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SLAVS DELIVER
CRUSHING BLOWS
ON GALICIA LINETeuton Sweep to
Przemysl Gates
Checked by Vigor of
Resumed Offensive.Austro-Germans' Footholds on
East Bank of San Menaced
by Advance—Vienna Re-
ports Success at Kielce in
Poland.

Muscovite offensive, along a 400-mile line from Southern Poland to Southeast Galicia, has succeeded the defensive position into which the Czar's troops were forced by the recent Austro-German sweeping advance to the gates of Jaroslau and Przemysl. The Teuton grip on the east bank of the San is seriously menaced and a section of the left wing of General Mackensen's army is in danger of being cut off from the main body.

Vienna concedes vigorous opposition to the Teuton advance across Galicia in the official statement that the mid-Galicia battle still rages. Capture of 6,000 Slavs in the Kielce region indicates marked hostile movements in that part of Poland.

The British admit the loss of some trenches east of Ypres, which were taken by the German infantry under cover of a bombardment with asphyxiating shells. Some of the lost positions were afterward retaken, and the battle was still in progress when Sir John French's report was sent.

Along the Flemish coast there has been a resumption of artillery fighting, the big guns of the French and Belgians bombarding Raversyde (three miles southwest of Ostend), where the Germans have established shipyards. So much damage was done that the Germans brought their heaviest cannon into action.

NEW SLAV OFFENSIVE ON SAN
DEVELOPS MORE MOMENTUMCrushing Blows Check Teuton Ad-
vance and Menace Positions.

PETROGRAD, May 25.—Along a 400-mile battlefront, stretching from southern Poland to southeast Galicia, the Russians are now on the offensive and delivering crushing blows against the Austro-German lines, according to an official statement given out here today.

Southeast of Strzy the Austro-Germans are battling stubbornly in the path of the advancing Russians, according to the War Office, but the Slav armies continue to advance.

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ONLY SYMPATHY FOR
GIRL WHO SHOT DOWN
HER FAITHLESS LOVERNever Doubting Her Ac-
quittal on Murder
Charge, Women Seek a
Home for Ida Riehl, Now
in Hospital.THE COMMONWEALTH
VS. IDA RIEHL

This is the case of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania against 17-year-old Ida Riehl.

The Magistrate before whom she appeared said it was the most unpleasant duty of his life to hold her for the coroner's inquest.

The coroner hopes that the duty of holding her for the action of the Grand Jury will devolve upon one of his deputies.

The Assistant District Attorney said they did not want to prosecute her and each said he was hoping her trial would be during his vacation.

The judges do not want to try her case.

Great difficulty is anticipated in obtaining a jury.

Sympathy for Ida Riehl, the 17-year-old girl that shot and killed Edmund Hauptfuehrer when, upon her demand that he marry her, as he had promised to do, he laughed at her and insulted her, has been expressed by social workers in this city in offers to give the girl a home, and, when she shall have been acquitted, employment.

For no one seems to doubt for a moment that she will walk out of court a free woman.

Even the detectives and officials in the

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LA CITTA DI GORIZIA MINACCIATA
DAL CORPO ITALIANO D'INVASIONERumania, Bulgaria e Grecia Seguiranno Presto l'Italia Nella
Guerra Contro Austria, Germania e Turchia.
La Quadruplice E Un.

Un dispaccio da Roma conferma l'occupazione di cinque cittadine italiane dell'Austria da parte delle truppe italiane, che incontrano soltanto una debole resistenza. Le cittadine occupate sono Cormons, Verza, Cervignone, Caporetto e Terno. Le forze italiane minacciano ora Gorizia, la capitale della provincia.

Un telegramma da Ginevra dice che l'esercito italiano ha già invaso il territorio austriaco con tre corpi d'armata, ed aggiunge che le forze austriache si sono ritirate dietro le loro opere fortificate. Il dispaccio non è stato ancora confermato da alcun comunicato ufficiale del governo italiano, e probabilmente non vi è da attendersi alcuna conferma se non quando le operazioni di questo primo periodo di guerra saranno terminate. Il governo italiano ha inaugurato una severissima censura, come non si era mai vista prima in Italia, e che per evitare che il nemico prenda dai giornali le informazioni che altrimenti non avrebbe.

A Roma è giunta la notizia che il console italiano a Costantinopoli è stato assassinato, ma non si ha alcuna conferma.

Rumania, Bulgaria e Grecia hanno intavolato trattative per concludere un accordo e mettersi in guerra contro la Turchia e gli imperi centrali, e pare che le trattative procedano soddisfacentemente.

L'Italia è formalmente alleanza con l'Inghilterra, la Francia e la Russia, secondo obbligata a non firmare separatamente la pace con le nazioni teutoniche.

(Leggere la 2a pagina più dettagliate e complete notizie circa la guerra d'Italia, in lingua italiana.)

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TEMPLARS IN
IMPRESSIVE
PAGEANTRYKnights Make Splen-
did Demonstration
Amid the Plaudits of
Spectators.Marchers Give Wonderful Ex-
hibition of Skill in Evolu-
tions, Representing the Cross
in Varied Forms—Com-
manderies Vie in Drills.

Twelve abreast and to the martial air of "Onward, Christian Soldiers," 15,000 Knights Templar in the presence of a cheering crowd of more than 50,000 persons today marched up Broad street. The demonstration was among the most picturesque ever seen in Philadelphia. From the grandstands erected about the City Hall Plaza the parade was reviewed by State and city officials.

The forming of the famous "Passion Cross" took place at Broad and Race streets. Seated near the windows of buildings along North Broad street were hundreds of persons. Some of them waved handkerchiefs to the middle-aged and elderly men who helped to form the famous cross known to templarism. Others waved the colors of the order, which are black and white.

As though by a prearranged signal the thousands of persons who lined both sides of the street suddenly became silent when different divisions went through the forming of different ceremonies. The ceremonies consisted of the "Double Cross," the "Salmon Cross" and the "Greek Cross," all of which were formed by special corps of the marchers.

Three women among the spectators fainted at Broad and Arch street when Edward D. Ross, 120 Woodside avenue, Narberth, was thrown from his mount at that point and fell upon his face. Mr. Ross's horse became frightened and reared up, throwing him to the street. He was taken to Medical-Chirurgical Hospital for treatment. Physicians found he had escaped with severe bruises.

The three women who fainted are Mrs. Emma Graves, 4215 Westmont avenue; Mrs. Katharine Schofer, 627 Leeds street, and Miss Sarah Mundorf, Burlington. They were revived at the Hahnemann Hospital.

About 1500 police were necessary to handle the enormous crowds that jammed sidewalks until it was impossible to move. They were headed by Captain Harry Davis, who is acting Superintendent of Police; Captain Tempest and Lieutenant John P. Duffy, of the reserves. Lieutenant Buhler was in command of the mounted police.

BIRDS CIRCLE MIGHTY PAGEANT.

Several hundred pigeons that make their nests in the cornices of City Hall contributed to the beauty of the picturesque spectacle as the head of the great parade was about to swing into

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QUICK NEWS

TAKE 21,000 SLAVS IN NEW PRZEMYSL DASH
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DUTCH SEND LUSITANIA PROTEST TO BERLIN

LONDON, May 25.—The Dutch Government has sent a note to Germany concerning the sinking of the Lusitania, according to dispatches from The Hague today. The text of the note has not been made public, but it is reported that it is similar to the American note. Among those who lost their lives in the Lusitania disaster are said to have been several Dutch subjects.

BECKER DOOMED TO ELECTRIC CHAIR

ALBANY, N. Y., May 25.—Charles Becker, the former New York police lieutenant, twice convicted of the slaying of Herman Rosenthal, a New York gambler, in front of the Hotel Metropole on July 16, 1912, must expiate his crime in the electric chair. The Court of Appeals today so decided the fate of the former head of the New York city "strong-arm squad."

PARCEL POST SUSPENDED BETWEEN U. S. AND ITALY

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Italy today cabled the Postoffice Department that parcel post service between the United States and that country has been suspended temporarily. Postmaster General Burleson immediately notified all Postmasters that until further notice they shall not accept any parcel post matter for Italy. Other classes of mail matter are not affected by the order.

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HAZLETON, Pa., May 25.—The Lattimer No. 4 breaker of Pades Brothers & Co., Inc., one of the largest and best equipped in the Lehigh coal field, was destroyed by fire of unknown origin today. The loss is \$75,000, partially covered by insurance. Five hundred hands are thrown out of work.

THIEVES WITH WAGON LOOT RAILROAD STATION

Thieves with a wagon robbed the Orston station of the Atlantic City Railroad, between Audubon and Haddon Heights, early today, carting away the entire stock of the newsstand and many parcels. When Clayton Hankins, the station master, reached the place today he found that it had been ransacked from top to bottom.

Asquith Defends Speyer Loyalty

LONDON, May 25.—Premier Asquith has written to Sir Edward Speyer a letter in which he characterizes as "baseless and malignant" the imputation made upon your loyalty to the British Crown. Referring to the desire which Sir Edgar expressed when he resigned from the Privy Council, that all honors bestowed upon him should be withdrawn, the Premier says: "The King is not prepared to take any step such as you suggest in regard to marks of distinction which you have received in recognition of public services and philanthropic contributions."

The King's Loyalists Say:

Little Asquith likes work so much that he sleep-likes of it.

LOST AND FOUND

LEFT in a Buick Hiney Monday night, a black velvet evening dress, name on inside pocket. Reward if returned to 1217 Arch st.

LOST—Gold cross from corner, Lehigh Island Field Mass; name on back; Jew. 17 E. 20th.

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