



TORPEDO HITS BRITISH LINER; LA CHAMPAGNE RUNS ASHORE

GRADO TAKEN BY ITALIANS IN TRIESTE DRIVE

First Line of Austrian Defense Crumple Before Attack of Five Armies.

Goritz and Gradisca Only Few Miles From Advanced Lines of General Cadorna's Troops Gains in Tyrolean and Carnic Alps.

The first line of Austrian defense has crumpled like paper before the Italian offensive directed against Trieste.

The Italians have taken Grado, the largest Austrian port between Trieste and the border. The entire Austrian line along the Isonzo River is in the hands of the Italians, who have crossed the river and are within five miles of Goritz.

Four separate armies are operating on the eastern frontier over a 60-mile front included in the Italian province of Friuli.

The first army occupied Caporetto and stormed the fortress of Mount Corrada, over which the Italian flag was placed after a six hours' bombardment.

The second army took Cornons and San Giorgio and is advancing upon Goritz.

The third army has occupied the towns of Visco and Verza, advancing along the road from Palmanova to Gradisca, from which the Italians are only three miles away.

The fourth army fought its way past Cervignano along the Trieste-Venice railway and took the seaport of Grado. The objective of these four armies is Trieste, and the advanced Italian lines are now only 18 miles from that city.

In the Tyrolean and Carnic Alps the Italians officially report further gains, at many points being several miles beyond the border. A flotilla of Italian hydroaeroplanes bombarded the Trieste-Nabresina railway line, crippling troops and supply movements of the Austrians.

Vienna admits that the Italians have crossed the frontier, but states that the invaders along the coast have been driven back.

ROME, May 28.

The Italian army which is driving toward Trieste has occupied the Austrian port city of Grado, on the Gulf of Trieste, only 25 miles from Trieste. It is officially announced in a statement given out by the Italian War Office today.

A squadron of Italian aeroplanes that crossed the northern end of the Adriatic Sea successfully bombarded the Trieste-Nabresina Railway on the night of May 27, destroying part of the line and seriously crippling troop and supply movements of the Austrians.

Violent artillery duels are in progress along the Alpine Mountains on the Tyrol and Trentino boundaries.

TAKE MORE TERRITORY.

The Italian army of occupation between the Udine and Isonzo Rivers is increasing the extent of captured Austrian territory.

Many prisoners have been taken and at some points the inhabitants received the invading Italians with cordial expressions of fraternity.

The official communique, which was concluded on Page Six, Column One.

THE WEATHER



CLOUDY

We do not agree with the man who invented that well-known conversation-making phrase that goes something like this: "Happy is that nation which has no history." If you applied that rule to the weather, one would never have anything to say about fine days like this, but it would be unappealingly valuable about fog and blizzards and hurricanes. Some people seem to have the notion that a "fine day" is a sort of vacuum, that it is a purely negative proposition to be taken for granted and hardly commented upon. But it's just the other way, it should be. We remember considering for upward of an hour to a stroll along the Wissahickon yesterday just about the fineness of the day. The concluding circled around the question of the load of autumn in the air. One particularly bright thing we said was, "We would be satisfied if it were like this all the year round." Originality first.

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Increasing cloudiness this afternoon and tonight, probably followed by showers Saturday; gentle, variable winds becoming easterly. For details, see page 4.



IDA RIEHL AS SHE APPEARED BEFORE CORONER

CHAMPION ATHLETES COMPETE IN ANNUAL MEET ON PENN FIELD

Track and Field Stars From Nation's Great Schools in 40th Classic on Franklin Field Beginning This Afternoon.

Today's I. C. A. A. A. Program at Franklin Field. 3:00 p. m.—100-yard dash. 3:25 p. m.—Half-mile run. 3:45 p. m.—120-yard hurdles. 4:10 p. m.—440-yard dash. 4:25 p. m.—220-yard hurdles. 4:45 p. m.—220-yard dash. FIELD EVENTS. 2:00 p. m.—Putting the shot. 2:30 p. m.—Pole vault. 3:00 p. m.—Running high jump. 3:00 p. m.—Throwing the hammer. 3:00 p. m.—Running broad jump.

FRANKLIN FIELD, Philadelphia, May 28.—Under weather conditions that were ideal and with a track lightning fast, a host of colleges and universities began competition for the 40th annual track and field championship of America this afternoon. The goal of their endeavors tracked down at the first leg on the new \$1000 trophy cup, put up for competition today for the first time. By common consent the fight for the team championship narrowed down at the start to four teams—Cornell, Pennsylvania, Yale and Harvard—in the order named. Cornell, because of a splendidly balanced team, entered the games the favorite, but the Quakers had gone to qualify the majority of their crack sprinters to give them an even chance for the finals tomorrow. All visiting athletes reached the field shortly after 1 o'clock. The quarter mile running track, worked over until it was smooth as a table, almost glistened in the sun. That it would prove the fastest in America was the conviction of all who examined

"Howlers"

This is timely information: "To permit me to become a naturalized German." It is furnished, however, by a schoolboy, who says that "B. B." stands for Boy Scout. Doubtless the Salk Law applies here, for "the Salk Law is that you must take everything with a grain of salt." Schoolboy "howlers" do not prove that "the brain is a soft bunch covered with vesicles," but a collection of them which is to appear tomorrow on the editorial page of the

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shows that Tennyson was not the only man who has written "In Memoriam."

RECTOR QUILTS PARISH TO WED SWEETHEART HE LOVED 12 YEARS

Resignation of Rev. James C. Mitchell From Calvary Church Explained by Announcement of Engagement.



REV. J. C. MITCHELL

The surprising resignation of the Rev. James Clayton Mitchell, wealthy clergyman, as rector of Calvary Episcopal Church, Pulaski avenue and Manheim street, Germantown, was explained today by the announcement that he and Miss Mary E. P. Garnett, of Hoken, will be married on Monday, at St. Bernard's Church, Bernardsville, N. J. Mr. Mitchell first met Miss Garnett 12 years ago, and it is said that they became engaged shortly after that time. There will be few at the wedding, as Miss Garnett is in mourning for a cousin, a Miss Hamill, who was a passenger on the Lusitania, and was drowned when the big liner was torpedoed. Many conjectures as to the reason for Mr. Mitchell's resignation were put forward upon the announcement that he would leave the church, which he made from the pulpit, without having notified

IDA RIEHL BRAVELY FACES CORONER, WHO HOLDS HER FOR TRIAL

Women Weep in Courtroom as Girl, in Mourning for Man She Killed, Enters. Father Seeks Her Freedom by Habeas Corpus.

"Ida Riehl, stand up!" Bravely, without a sign of emotion, the 17-year-old girl who shot and killed Edmond Hauptfuhrer, because he would not marry her, as he had promised to do, rose in obedience to the coroner's command at the inquest today, after the jury had found she had caused the man's death and had held her for the Grand Jury. The black veil she wore fell from her face as she stood up. "Where were you born?" asked the coroner. "In Philadelphia," answered the girl in a clear voice that rang through the crowded courtroom. "Married or single?" "The girl who had been brought from a hospital maternity ward hesitated. Then, in a voice that trembled for the first time, she answered, faintly and wistfully: "Single."

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QUATTRO ARMATE DEL GEN. CADORNA HANNO INVASO LA PROV. DI GORIZIA

Violento Duello di Artiglieria Impegnato Sulle Alpi Camontie e Dolomitiche tra Italiani ed Austriaci—La Cittadina di Grado Accoglie Con Entusiasmo le Truppe Italiane Liberatrici.

Il generale Cadorna ha invaso la provincia di Gorizia con quattro armate. Gli italiani che hanno invaso l'Austria nella regione del Trentino hanno occupato molte altre importanti. Nonostante che le autorità austriache abbiano cercato di spaventare gli abitanti dicendo loro che gli italiani mandavano truppe africane all'avanguardia, i soldati d'Italia sono stati dovunque festeggiati e gli abitanti esposero al loro arrivo una quantità di bandiere tricolori che misteriosamente erano riusciti a procurarsi. A Roma si attende da un momento all'altro che una grande battaglia sia impegnata tra le forze austriache che difendono l'Italia e le forze italiane che hanno invaso quella provincia, e si dice che le forze avversarie si trovano ad appena poche miglia di distanza l'una dall'altra. Le truppe italiane hanno occupato la cittadina di Grado, sulla costa austriaca dell'Adriatico settentrionale, ed il sindaco e la popolazione le hanno ricevute con grande entusiasmo. Gli aviatori italiani hanno bombardato la ferrovia Trieste-Nabresina, distruggendo un buon tratto ed inceppando così il servizio di rifornimento delle forze nemiche. (Seguire in 2a pagina la ultima e più dettagliata notizia sulla guerra dell'Italia, stampata in lingua italiana.)

SCOTCH VESSEL FALLS VICTIM TO SUBMARINE

S. O. S. Calls Summon Ships to Aid of 10,000-Ton Steamship Argylshire.

La Champagne, of French Transatlantic Line, Badly Damaged in Bay of Biscay. All Aboard Saved—Attack Is Rumored.

The British liner Argylshire has been torpedoed by a German submarine. Vessels from Liverpool responded to her S. O. S. calls.

The French liner La Champagne ran aground near St. Nazaire. It is reported she was attacked.

Two more disasters have overtaken the British navy. Twenty-four hours after the announcement that the battleship Triumph had been torpedoed in the Gulf of Saros came the admission from the Admiralty that the old battleship Majestic had been sunk in a similar manner in the Dardanelles. A German submarine accounted for both vessels. The loss of life has not been reported, but London declares it was not great.

The second disaster was the blowing up of the former Canadian-Pacific liner Princess Irene by an internal explosion at her dock in Sheerness Harbor. More than 300 lives were lost. There are rumors in England that the explosion was the work of a German spy.

LIVERPOOL, May 28.

The Glasgow steamship Argylshire was attacked and damaged by a German submarine today. Her wireless "S. O. S." calls were received here and vessels have put out to her assistance.

No details have been received as to the extent of damage or possible lives lost.

She was hit off the Scilly Islands.

The Argylshire is a big steel twin-screw steamship of 10,322 tons. She is owned by the Scottish Line, Limited. Her home port is Glasgow. Her length is 288 feet, her beam 41 feet. She was built in 1911 in Glasgow, and is equipped with wireless. Her captain, as given in Lloyd's, is W. Chickie. She had just been taken over for naval service by the Admiralty.

LA CHAMPAGNE RUNS AGROUND OFF FRANCE; ATTACK RUMORED

PARIS, May 28.

The French liner La Champagne ran aground today on the French coast off St. Nazaire. All her 900 passengers were later landed at St. Nazaire. It is reported the transatlantic liner was attacked.

It was later learned that the 900 passengers on La Champagne were negro troops who had been brought from French Guiana for service in France. Reports received this evening indicated that the liner was in a badly damaged condition, and that she might not be able to get off the ground where she ran ashore.

La Champagne was constructed in 1886 by the Compagnie Generale Transatlantique at St. Nazaire, on the Bay of Biscay, France, and was designed for the passenger and freight service of that company between France and the United States.

The vessel had a steel hull, four decks, four masts and one stack. The overall length of the steamer was 423 feet, its beam 52 feet and its depth 27 1/2 feet. La Champagne had 11 watertight bulkheads and carried a gross tonnage of 6725 tons. Its power was provided by a six-cylinder triple expansion engine, having 118 horsepower and giving the ship a speed of 17 1/2 knots an hour.

The last classification of La Champagne was made in May, 1914, at New York, the vessel being removed from the transatlantic service shortly after that time.

La Champagne formerly plied between New York and France, but several

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TODAY'S BASEBALL SCORES

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QUICK NEWS

MRS. BARLOW WINS WOMEN'S GOLF TITLE

Mrs. Ronald H. Barlow, of Merion, won the women's individual championship of Philadelphia this afternoon, defeating Miss Catherine Davis, Philadelphia Cricket Club, at St. Martin's, four up and two to play. This title is the fifth for Mrs. Barlow in seven years.

BERNSTORFF URGES QUICK REPLY TO U. S. NOTE

BERLIN, May 28.—The German Foreign Office today received a cablegram from Ambassador Bernstorff, at Washington, urging the earliest possible reply to the American note regarding the Lucania incident.

"Tension in America has been increased by the damage done the American steamer Nebraskan," Bernstorff cabled. "The Nebraskan incident is still an unexplained mystery."

CHILD VICTIM OF ZEPPELIN DIES

SOUTH END-ON-SEA, Eng., May 28.—Queenie Pateman, 6-year-old girl who was injured in the Wednesday night Zeppelin raid on this port, died today, bringing the total number of victims to three.

MAN WITH LOADED REVOLVER ARRESTED AT WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, May 28.—A man who called himself Hugh Otis, of San Francisco, was detained for observation today at the Washington Asylum Hospital following an attempt to see the President at the White House. Otis said he was distantly related to General Harrison Gray Otis, of Los Angeles, and that he had a first cousin, Patrick Kieley, living at 755 10th avenue, San Francisco. Sometime ago he wrote several letters to the President, declaring himself King of America, Mexico and Holland. When arrested he had on his person \$225 and a loaded revolver. The police notified General Otis.

THIRTY KILLED IN TYROL WRECK

GENEVA, Switzerland, May 28.—Thirty persons were injured when a train filled with refugees bound for Innsbruck, Austria, from the Italian frontier collided with a freight train today.

MEASLES QUARANTINE IN JENKINTOWN

The Jenkintown Public School, the Parochial School of the Immaculate Conception, all moving picture theatres and Sunday schools in Jenkintown have been closed by the Board of Health of that suburb as a result of an epidemic of measles which has been gaining headway there for the last two weeks. Fifty-seven cases of the disease have developed.

GEORGE POPE HEADS MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION

NEW YORK, May 28.—George Pope, of Hartford, Conn., was today elected president of the National Association of Manufacturers. Other officers chosen were: George S. Boudinot, secretary, J. P. Bird, general manager and assistant treasurer.

MAN KILLED, TWO MORTALLY WOUNDED BY MOONSHINERS

JELICO, Ky., May 28.—William Lowe was killed and Deputy Sheriff Joseph King and James Pennington were mortally wounded today while attempting to raid a "blind tiger," an illicit still, on the Tennessee line. Six men have been killed in battles with moonshiners in the district during the last six months.

STEAMBOAT RAMMED; 45 PASSENGERS SAVED

BALTIMORE, May 28.—With a force that hurled many passengers from their berths and tore a great hole in her port side, the steamboat Dorchester, of the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Railway Company, was rammed today by the fishing steamer J. A. Palmer, Jr., owned by the G. R. Davis Packing Company, of Reedville, Va. The accident occurred off Sandy Point, near which the Dorchester, in a sinking condition, was beached. The 45 passengers on the Dorchester were brought to Baltimore on the steamship Virginia, of the Old Bay Line.

U. S. CRUISER NORTH CAROLINA ASHORE OFF EGYPT

WASHINGTON, May 28.—Captain J. W. Oman, of the American cruiser North Carolina, reported to the Navy Department from Alexandria, Egypt, today that his ship was ashore in the outer harbor there. The cable was dated Thursday night. It said: "Ship aground in outer harbor. Unable to move ship today. Dredge working tonight. Ship not damaged. Des Moines arrived today."

MAN FATALLY STRICKEN ON STREET

Joseph Wallace, 58 years old, a salesman living at 2694 Hollywood street, fell and struck his head on the curb at Front and Market streets this morning and died five minutes after being admitted to the Jefferson Hospital. Wallace was standing at the depot talking to the car dispatcher, when he suddenly fell backward. Physicians at the hospital said he suffered apoplexy. The police are looking for his relatives.

BROTHERS ESCAPE LYCOMING COUNTY JAIL

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., May 28.—Clarence Baker, 39 years old, and William Smead, 19, of Geneva, N. Y., half-brothers, serving short terms in the Lycoming County jail for robbery, escaped from prison by squeezing through a defective window in their cell and getting over the jail wall by means of a blanket rope.

Negro Slayer Gets Off Easy

Charles Knight, a Negro, 61 years old, of Warneck street above Thompson, was sentenced to nine months in the county prison today by Judge Hallock in the Court of Oyer and Terminer on a charge of manslaughter arising from the death of William V. Brown, also a Negro, whom he fatally shot during an altercation in a livery stable at Franklin street and Girard avenue last March. Knight contended that he acted in self-defense, as Brown was threatening to strike him with an iron bar.

The Kensingtonian Says:

The Curly Club have sold their old clubhouse and bought a bench with the funds, which they will now carry out to the park on Sunday nights.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—silver watch on foot, with gold chain. Reward if returned to A. S. BARTON, 200 Baltimore ave., or Editor LEDGER, 20 South 10th st. Other classified ads on Pages 11 and 12