EVENING LEDGER-PHILADELPHIA, THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 1915: "WAS ANYBODY HURT?" | TEST CASE NECESSARY

ITALIANS CAPTURE MONFALCONE IN DRIVE **UP ISONZO ON TRIESTE**

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Forces Under General Cadorna Win Greatest Victory of Campaign With Austria Since Beginning of Hostilities.

Italian troops have won their most important victory of the war. In the first stages of the great battle now raging along the Isonzo they have captured the railway centre of Monfalcome, near the Adriatic. The fall of Goritz, capital of the Austrian province of that name, is believed to be imminont.

To the north, in the fighting on Monte Nero, a Bersagiieri regiment drove the Austrians from a rocky height in a hand-to-hand combat. An Austrian column has been de-

feated by Italians at Cortino d'Ampezzo in the Trent campaign.

ROME, June 10. The Italian army has captured Mont-licone, an important railway centre on he Adriatio

The Italian army which is maneuvering to attack Trent from the northeast has defeated an Austrian column near Cortina d'Ampezzo, and is now nearing the Austrian mountain fortress defending Faizarego Pass east of Cortina. The Austrian position at Preikopel has been taken and an Austrian gun and some ar-

taken and an Austrian gun and some ar-tillery were captured. Furlous fighting is still in progress along the isonzo River. Monfalcome lies 12 miles inside the Austrian frontier, 18 miles northwest of Trieste. Its capture by the Italians, after a fierce artillery and infairry en-gagement, represents the greatest ad-vance into Austrian territory since the ware heaven. war began

war began. The right wing of the Italian armies along the Isono made the final onsaught on Monfalcone from Ronchi, after Italian batteries had silenced the Austrian guns and wrecked concrete works on the out-skirts of the town. The Austrian Sar-rison, from entrenchments inside the outer forts, fought with great bravery for several hours, and in their retreat destroyed the station on the railway haddne to Trieste.

destroyed the station of the function leading to Trieste. During the Italian hombardment of Monfaicone the shells destroyed a fac-tory at which the Austrians were making onous gases for use on the firing line.

THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT. The following official statement relative to the operations of the Italian armies of

invasion was issued by the War Office today: "Our troops nearing Falzarego Pass

"Our troops nearing Failance o Fais were in a favorable engagement 10 miles distant from Cortina d'Ampezzo and cap-tured a gun and ammunition from the Austrians at Preikopel. The Austrian position at that point was selzed on Tues-day night and 100 prisoners made there. Along the Loonzo front fighting still con-tiones our batteries shelling the positinues, our batteries shelling the posi-tions which the Austrians still retain around oMnte Nero. We have taken an opposite position there, which the enemy evacuated. The Austrians left 100 dead behind and 50 wounded. Near Caporetto 60 Bosnians descried the Austrians and came into our camp.

"The Austrian losses have been heavy. "The Austrian losses have been heavy. "Throughout Monday and Tuesday we continued successfully our operations de-signed to throw back the Austrians from the dominant positions they held on the right bank of the Isonzo and to establish strong bridgehends.

"The enemy has been offering obstinate resistance, being favored by conditions of ground which also make it difficult to penatrate the line owing to broken bridges and bad roads resulting from extensive foods along the lower course of the Isonto

'Our troops everywhere have fought with the greatest dash and tenacity, their

QUICK NEWS GUSTAV STAHL ARRESTED FOR PERJURY

NEW YORK, June 10,-The Federal Grand Jury this afternoon began an estigation of the charge that the Lusitania carried concealed guns when it alled from here on its last fateful trip. Gutav Stahl, the German reserviat, who wore to an affidavit that he saw concealed cannon aboard the vessel, was the first witness. After testifying that the Lusitania was armed Federal agents took Stahl into custody on a charge of perjury.

TWO BRITISH TORPEDOBOATS SUNK; SIX OTHER VICTIMS LONDON, June 10 .- Two British torpedo boats, the No. 10 and No. 12, nave been torpedoed and sunk in the North Sea off the east coast of England. The Admiralty announced this afternoon that 41 survivors of the crews landed. Six British vessels have been torpedoed and sunk by German submarines in the last 24 hours. Dispatches this afternoon added the Grimsby trawlers Tunislan, Castor and Persimmon to the list of U-boat victims. The other torpedoed vessels were the trawlers Velocity and Nottingham and the British collier Erna Boldt.

TWO OVERCOME WHILE FIGHTING FIFE

Two, men were overcome at a firs this afternoon at the residence of John Pomeroy, of 1827 North Hope street. Both were resuscitated on the premises. They are Hugh McArthur, a fireman attached to Engine Company No. 29, at 4th street and Girard avenue, and Edward Gisen, 65 years old, of 201 Richmond street, a plumber, who was making repairs at the house. Gleen, with a force of men, was constructing a drainage system in the cellar and yard, and a quanilly of oakum left by the men in the cellar when they went to lunch, was set afire by Pomeroy's 4-year-old son. This ignited waste material and the house, which is of frame, quickly caught fire.

LUSITANIA VICTIM'S BODY NOT VANDERBILT'S

QUEENSTOWN, June 10.- Representatives of the Cunard Steamship line who circulated reports that Alfred G. Vanderbill's body had been washed ashore upon the county Clare coast, announced this afternoon that the body was that of a foreigner, probably a Russian. "It has been established that the body is not that of Mr. Vanderbilt," said the announcement.

DECOY LETTER CATCHES CONSHOHOCKEN POSTAL CLERK

The old expedient of sending a decoy letter to trap a suspected postal clerk resulted in the arrest of Harvey B. Brownbeck, of the Conshohocken postoffice today. Brownbeck, who has been an employe of the postoffice there for the last 11 years, was suspected of extracting letters from the mails. Postal inspectors Wynne and McVickers, who handled the case, sent a decoy letter containing \$3.75, bearing a secret identification marks, to a Conshehocken iddress. When Brownbeck was placed under arrest the money was found in his possession, according to the inspectors. He waived a hearing when arraigned before United States Commissioner Howard Long, in the Federal Building, and was held in \$500 ball for the Grand Jury.

MEXICAN PRESIDENT DEPOSED; CHAZARO ELECTED

WASHINGTON, June 10 .- General Gonzales Garza, President of Mexico under the convention Government, has been deposed from office by the convention, and Lagos Chazaro, Villista delegate from the State of Chihuabua, being elected President.

FORGE PRESCRIPTION BLANKS TO GET DRUGS

The mystery of a flood of prescription blanks bearing the name of Dr. Maurice S. Elleder, of 1315 South 5th street, and calling for 10 grains of cocaine each was cleared up today when Robert Jerome, \$05 Race street, was arrested, accused of stealing the blanks and forging the physician's signature. He was held in \$800 bail for court by Magistrate Beaton. Doctor Blieder testified that Jerome and another man came to his office and asked for treatment, saying they were drug flends. The telephone bell rang, and while he was answering it the men took a pad of blanks and disappeared.

DESPONDENT WOMAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Lonely and despondent on account of the recent death of her husband, the police say. Mrs. Marie Triego, 34 years old, made a second attempt to commit suicide today by drinking polson while visiting at the home of Mrs. Catherine Hans, 1214 South 22d street. The prompt action of Dr. A. C. Stroup, of 1245 South 23d street, probably saved the woman's life. She is now in the Polyclinic Hospital.

THREE MEN BURNED WHEN POWDER EXPLODED

Three men are hovering near death in the Cooper Hospital, Camden, from urns received when powder exploded at the du Pont Powder Works, at Carney Point, N. J. They are Charles Aldridge, 1428 West George street, this city; James Killen, Fort Mott, N. J., and Harry Hines, Pennsgrove, N. J.

MISSING SHIP ARRIVES IN PORT

The Italian bark Tripoli, which was given up as lost at sea more than a nonth ago, stalked like a ghost into the Delaware Breakwater this afternoon, surprising maritime officials, after a voyage of 120 dyas from Pierate, Italy, The little vessel, which is only of 760 tons, usually made the run across the Atantic in 30 days. When she did not arrive in 60 days she was virtually given up is lost. No explanation has yet been forthcoming from her captain as to the cause of the long delay. The Tripoli is in ballast.

AMERICAN, IN MEXICO CITY, SHOOTS TWO HOUSEBREAKERS

ARRESTED FOR \$50,000

Forger Convicted of "Kidglove" Theft Is Given Liberty. Boston Wants Him.

A forger, pardoned after serving one ear of an 2 to 10-year sentence in the Sestern Penitentiary, started for Boston okerage firms.

brokerage firms. The prisoner is William A. Nash, alias Robert W. Barneti, alias Richard Parker. He is about 50 years old and has a wife. Prior to his arrest he maintained a fine home at Medford, Mass., a suburb of Boston. He came to this city a little more than a year ago, after a career in New England that is said to have target man a target many target in New England that is said to have extended over a period of many years. Naah got into communication with the brokerage firm of Barday W. Moore, of this city, when he arrived here. After sending several letters relating to prop-pective investments, all written on impective investments, all written en im-posing looking stationery, he visited the office in person. Then one day he non-chalantly produced a \$10,000 check, appar-ently certified by a local bank. For this be secured likely secured \$10,000 worth of negotiable bonds.

The man was tripped up in his first The man was tripped up in his first attempt in this city. He is said to have worked his plan at least three times in Beaton, each time escaping. It was found that the certification on the check was a forgery, and that Nash had little no funds in the bank on which the check was drawn. He was given an in-determinate sentence of from 8 to 10 years in the Eastern Penltentiary.

Last Friday Nash was released. His pardon was made possible because the local firm he tried to swindle lost nothing, all the bonds having been recovered. Detective George J. Farrell, of Boston, today started back for that city with prisoner.

PRIZE COURT FOR FRYE IS BERLIN'S DECREE

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States, or of the American rights derived therefrom. For these treatles did not therefrom. For these treatles did not have the intention of depriving one of the contracting parties engaged in war of the right of stopping the supply of contraband to his enemy when he recognizes the sup-ply of such as detrimental to his military interests. On the contrary, Article 13 the Prussian-American treaty of July 11, 1799, expressly reserves to the party at war the right to stop the carrying of contraband and to detain the contraband; it follows, then, that if it cannot be accomplished in any other way, the stopping of busined in any other way the stopping of the supply may in the extreme case be affected by the destruction of the contra-band and of the ship carrying it. As a matter of course the obligation of the party at war to pay compensation to the parties interested of the neutral contract-ing matter semants in force whatever ho ing party remains in force whatever bo the manner of stopping the supply.

According to general principles of international law any exercise of the right of control over the trade in contra-band is subject to the decision of the orige courts, even though such right 133 a.y be restricted by special treatles. At the beginning of the present war Germany, pursuant to these principles, established by law prize jurisdiction for cases of the kind under consideration. The case of the William P. Frye is likewise subject the German prize jurisdiction, for Prussian-American treatles mentioned contain no stipulation as to how the amount of the compensation provided by Article 13 of treaty cited is to be fixed. The German Government, therefore, com-The German Government, therefore, com-plies with its treaty obligations to a full extent when the prize courts instituted by it in accordance with international law proceed in pursuance of the treaty stipulations and thus awarided the Amer-ican interested an equitable indemnity. There would, therefore, be no foundation for a claim of the American Government r a claim of the American Government unless the prize courts should not grant indemnity in accordance with the treaty; In such event, however, the German Government would not hesitate to ar-

range for equitable indemnity notwith-standing. For the rest, prize proceed-ings of the case of the Frye are indis-

WIFE SEEKS DIVORCE CRIME AFTER PARDON FROM MINISTER-ACTOR

Now Performing in Camden Theatre, of Unfaithfulness.

Divorce action against. a Baptist minister who "gravitated between the church and the stage" was instituted tooday to face trial on a charge that he day in the Camden Court of Chancery by biained bonds worth \$50,000 from three his wife. She accuses him of extreme crueity, giving specific Instances, and of unfaithfulness and desertion. She also says he threatened to shoot her and said he would "see her in hell before he would

> Mrs. Ethel C. Patrican, of Haddon Heights, N. J. They were married at that place in August, 1908, and have one child, a 4-year-old daughter.

In her petition Mrs. Patrican asked for possession of the child, an absolute divorce and the right to resume her maiden name. She says her actor-clergyman husband is not fit to care for their daughter. Patrican is about 30 years old. well educated and pollahed. His wife says his cruelty broke down her health. and that she had to spend some months in a hospital.

Following their wedding in Haddon Heights, which was performed by the Rev. Lester Redden, pastor of the Haddon Heights Baptist Church, the couple went to Erie, Pa. Mr. Patrican had a church in that city. They had not been there long, according to the wife, before his cruelty began. She mays he struck her on several occasions, knocked her down many times, and once rendered her unconscious with a blow that huried her

while Mrs. Patrican was ill at Erie, as a result of her husband's alleged crueity, she says he left his church in that city, went to New York and got a job with

went to New York and got a job with a theatrical troupe. Mrs. Patrican, in her charge of un-faithfulness, says the corespondent is a Philadelphia woman. She does not give her name. Her husband told her, Mrs. Patrican avers, that the Philadelphia subtribute subtribute a subtribute she to man was writing a vaudeville sketch

Mrs. Fatrican says she was compelled to leave her husband in January of 1912. This followed an alleged scene at Eric in which, according to the petition, Patri-can "ordered her from the house, saying he would see her in hell before he would

he would see her in her before he would support her." The husband continued "to gravitate between the stage and the pulpit," ac-cording to the petition, "and after preach-ing at a church at Westfield, N.Y., for two weeks, he secured an engagement at the Boardway Theatre, Camden." During this time, the wife says, Patrican threat-ened to shoot her. No date for the hearing of the pelition has been appointed. It probably will come up before Vice Chancellor Leaming within a few weeks. He then either will hear it himself or appoint a master.

Prisoner Set Free Second Time James Baschonio, also known as James Nusky, who was rearrested last Saturday at the gates of the Eastern Penitentiary after he had been pardoned, was accorded leniency today when he was arraigned before Judge Patterson, in Quarter Sessions Court, on a charge of robbing the home of A. R. Swoyer, 602 Clarkson avenue, Germantown, in 1910. It was al leged that the prisoner's booty from the Swoyer home was worth \$1200. Mr. Swoyer appeared in court and asserted his willingness to allow the charges against the defendant to be dropped. The Court, after hearing from the private prosecutor and from the prisoner's coun-set, permitted the indictment to be submitted for a verdict of not guilty

Accuses Baptist Clergyman, Man Risks Life in Stopping Runaway-His First Thought for Imperiled Children.

"Was anybody hurt?" smiled William H. McClellan, wiping the blood from his eyes and gritting his teeth to conquer the pain as he was being taken to the Hahnemann Hospital today, after stopping a runaway and saving the lives of dozens of children. He is expected to die. McClellan, who is a teamster for James Coyls, 16th and Sansom streets, was trampled bencath the hoofs of two horses, but bleeding and haif blinded, as picked The defendant is the Rev. J. Emory Data but bleeding and hair blinded, he ploked himself up and selzed the bits again, bringing the panting animals to a hair as they were about to dash into a crowd containing many children of the Hollings-

containing many children of the Hollings-worth School, 15th and Locust streets. Two of his ribs are broken and he is suffering with an injury of his heart and other internal injuries. He is 42 years old and lives at 200 De Lancey street. McClellan had just mounted his wagon at 15th and Sanson streets when the runaway team appeared careening south on 18th street. Without hesitation he leaped from his seat in the path of the runaway and grasped the bits. He was flung beneath the horses, but arose and lunged for their heads again. This time his grip was like iron.

his grip was like from. Laughing and joking, he was picked up and placed in the patrol wagon of the 15th and Vine streets station. Solicitude for the safety of the children was his chief thought and he joked with the po-licemen over his own hurts on the way to the hospital. The runaways, frightened by an automobile at 15th and Chestnut streets, had thrown their driver, Abra-ham Berkowits, 1021 South Third street, to the street, unhurt. They are owned by Harry Horwitz, 1013 South Third street.

LANE ASSAILS

CITY ADMINISTRATION

Continued from Page One playing politics, he made the following comment, while calling the Republican

Organization cohorts to arms: He has expended more money than his predecessor, and less to show for

He has spent money without ap-

propriation. He has not kept his promise for 80-

cent gas. He has violated the very essence of civil service by the discharge and forced resignation of one-third of the city's employes, including many old

He has depreciated the value of the city's properties by ill-advised agita-

tion. He has incurred the risk of an epidemic by his failure, to remove gar-

bage. He has made no effort for an in-

creased water supply or for a sewage disposal plant. He has employed an army of noncitizens.

He has permitted the city's machinery to go to rack and ruin for the

ant of proper lubricating oil. He suddenly ceased the investiga-tion of the Almahouse when it was developed that sour bread and putrid meat was being served to its inmates. He has advertised his virtues and nies when the facts tell the opposite story. His scientific management and card

index hobbies have proven failures. In conclusion, Mr. Lane claimed for the epublican Organization the credit for the industrial advance Philadelphia has made during the last two generations. In addition to Lane, all of the other of-ficers were re-elected. At the suggestion of Chairman Lane, the Platform Commit-

tee, of which John P. Connelly is chairtee, of which John P. Connelly is chair-man, was continued in office. When told of Mr. Lane's attack late this atternoon, the Mayor said he would not reply loday, as he wanted to study the charges against him carefully before le any public statement on the matter.

Judges Staake and Patterne Say Decision Rests in Licen Court Proceeding.

ASKS DYING HERO FOR "DANSANT" RILLIN

whether it is proper or improper y have "dansant" features at hotel enand roof gardens will have to be detta in the course of some definite proceeding brought before the License Court.

Judges Staake and Patterson were m willing to express any opinion on the ers. lect today, as they have done on caline features in the smaller cafes in conces tion with retail liquor licenses, though was declared by Judge Staake that as Court was perfectly willing to config an inquiry if complaint was made is regular proceeding.

regular proceeding. The insue has been raised by the Real Liquor Dealers' Association that dancis is as objectionable as cabarsta. It es siders the 'dansants' as much align ments' as any of the others deslars by ments' as any of the others deslars by the present License Court to be un ary and improper features of cafe Ha Changes of location for three rai Judges Staake and Patterson in the License Court. The cases were heard onth. Thirteen applications for cha month. Thirteen applications for charge of location were denied by the Court. The changes granted are to John by Dermott, from 2100 South street to Your and Ritner streets; to Harry H. Hasian from 2006 Vine street to 25th and Clearfel

streets, and to Dernard Gallagher, free 1961 North 2d street to Front and Wa streets. A transfer of the saloon of man nard Gordon from 1401 Passyunk area to 013-15 South 13th street was held man onsideration.

consideration. A special semion of the court will be held tomorrow to conclude the bearing of testimony in revocation proceedings is situated by D. Clarence Gibbones, pen-dent of the Law and Order Boder, against London & Polsky, 220 Manue street. It is charged they operate a concaret. eabaret.

BELGIAN, WIFE KILLED. WORKS HIS WAY HERE

His Home a Pile of Ashes, He Leaves Baby With Mother and Flees.

One of the victims of the German sign of Antwerp reached this port teday as the American ship Corning, which m rived in ballast from Sadona, Italy. He is Prosper de Petter, 27 years old a Belgian, whose wife was killed and whose home was reduced to smeldering ruins by the German artillery fire. When the city fell, De Petter escaped to Hel-land, after placing his baby in the case ot his mother, and worked his way is

Italy. At Sadona he saw the Corning lying a her dock and having heard of the sp-rathy of the American people for he country he decided to come here and applied for work on the steamer. Bein told no men were needed, he store away in one of the lifeboats and wise the yearal reached the open sea he run the vessel reached the open sea he may himself up. Captain John Paul put his to work and upon the arrival of its vessel at Point Breeze he was sent is

the Detention House at Gloucester. De Petter stated that he had been mir-ried but 18 months and that following is wife's death he lost interest in life as wandered about aimlessiy. He was like to get back to Antwerp, he said b ee if his mother and his baby are all alive. In migration officials stated has an exception would be made in his as admitting him to this country under the seamen's act, which grants permissin to foreign sailors to land without com-plying with the usual requirements.

being rewarded by the capture of

important positions. "In the mountainous region of Monte here (west and northwest of Tomino, we took an important height after the enemy had been driven off by our fre. At other points along the Isonzo Valley we took more than 400 prisoners."

TRENT FEARS BOMBARDMENT. Rafugees from Trent say that the civilian population has been ordered to leave for fear the Italians will bombard the city. Most of the public buildings in Trent have been turned into hospitals and fly the Red Cross flag for protection and By the Red Cross flag for protection from the Italian guns. The archbishop is virtually a prisoner in his paizee. It is reported that the Austrian authorities are considering the evacuation of the city. Many of the wounded Austrians at Trent are being sent to Innsbrueck. The main Italian army, which ad-vanced along the coast of the Gulf of Trieste and occupied Monfalcone, is now only 16 miles from Trieste.

BERNE, June 10.-Unofficial dispatches received today said that the Italians are shelling Trent from long range, having occupied Roversto. These dispatches, unconfirmed from any other

other source, also reported that the towns of Besenella, Vattaro and Beseno, Jying between Rovereto and Trent, are being shelled by the Italians.

ITALIANS FIGHT FOE 10,000

Forces Engaged on Mountainsides in Most Beautiful Theatre of War.

GENEVA, June 10 .- Ten thousand fest above the level of the sea Italian Alpinists and Tyrolene jaegers are locked in a flerce struggle for possession of Stelvio Pass, the highest carriage road in Europe. The ratile of machine guns is sweeping a region once the meeca of tourists. The Austrians are defending themaelves from behind rock barricades, the Alpinists attempting to rish these positions with hayonet charges. From the heights above Italians have wrecked one after another of the Austrian defenses by sending great

of the Austrian defenses by sending great stones rolling down the mountainaide. The scennic background for the Stativio Fund battle surpasses any of the war. The Italians advanced to the attack along the vine-olad slopes of Val Tellina. To the morth shells are shricking over great glacial fields, and part of the fighting on the upper reaches is for the possession of sour-topped peaks. In the Adire Valley, long-distance hom-hardment of the Austrian positions around Rowszeto continues, the Italians assumingly having settled down to a long starbidia frontike border clashes are oc-curring constantly.

curring constantly.

AN EXTRAORDINARY PAGE PICTURING ATLANTIC CITY AS IT HAS NEVER BEEN SEEN BEFORE WILL APPEAR IN THE EVENING LEDGER TOMORROW (FRIDAY) EVENING (ONE CENT)

WASHINGTON, June 10 .- W. P. Moats, an American, shot and killed two Mexicans who were trying to break into his house in Mexico City Tuesday night, the State Department was advised today,

CHAUFFEUR HELD FOR GIRL'S DEATH

Francis Corcoran, chauffeur for Dr. M. Howard Fusell, of the University of Pennsylvania, whose car struck and instantly killed Catherine Snyder, of J29 Rector street, was held without ball at the Central Station today to await the action of the coroner.

DR. FUSSELL'S AUTOMOBILE KILLS CHILD

Catherine Snyder, 3 years old, of 329 Rector street, Roxborough, was struck by an automobile owned by Dr. M. Howard Fussell, of the University of Pennsylvania faculty. The child was taken in the machine to St. Timothy's Hospital, where she was pronounced dead. The car was driven by Francis Cochran, the professor's chauffeur, who was released on \$2000 ball after a hearing early today.

RUSSIANS RALLY ON BOTH EAST FRONTS

Continued from Page One fierce German counter-attack has been

repulsed. RUSSIANS RALLY IN GALICIA:

ATTACK BALTIC INVADERS FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL Berlin Admits Forceful Resistance in

Both Fields. BERLIN, June 10.

Russian forces south of Lemberg have ruceived reinforcements and are delivering violent attacks against the Austro-German forces, under General von Linsingen, the War Office admits.

The Russians that retreated from Stanislau after capture of that railroad centre are being pursued by the Germans and Austrians.

In the region of Shavil (Bawale), Kovno province, the Germana within the last few days have taken 2550 more prisoners and two machine guns. The Russians, it is conceded, are reinforcing their army outh of Shavil to oppose the "encircling

attack" of the Germans. The Germans have retired from some of their positions on the Dubless, but it is declared that this movement was carried

out without interference. In the pursuit of the Russians south of the Niemen River the Germans took two standards and 12 machine guns.

BERLIN ADMITS FRENCH ADVANTAGE AT SOUCHEZ

Fighting in Arras Region Has Again

Become Severe. BERLIN, June 10 .- Fighting has again become vary assure in the arena of opera-tions around Arras. The ufficial state-ment of the German War Office today states that French sitaske near Souches and Neuville-St. Vasat were repulsed, but that hostilities are continuing there with-out any decisive results. It is admitted that the French have ob-tained a minor advantage at the Souches

sugar refinery.

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pensable, apart from the American claims, for the reason that other claims of the neutral and enemy interested parties are to be considered in the mat-

ter. As was stated in the note of April 4 hast, the Prize Court should have to de-cide the questions whether the destruc-tion of the ship and cargo was legal, whether and under what conditions the property sunk was liable to confiscation, and to whom and in what amount indem-nity is to be paid provided application therefor is received. Since the decision of the Prize Court must first be awaited before any further position is taken by the German Government, the simplest way for the American interested parties the German Government, the simplest way for the American Interested parties to settle their claims would be to enter them in the competent records in ac-cordance with the provisions of the Ger-

cordance with the provisions of the Uer-man code of prize proceedings. The undersigned begs to suggest that the Ambassador bring the above to the knowledge of his Government and avails himself, etc. VON JAGOW, himself, etc. VON JAGOW, Minister for Foreign Affairs.

WILLIAM BUTLER CO. TO SELL CHAIN STORES

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at the conference. Charles A. Beury represented the Butler Company and Joseph Gilfillan, former Sheriff, represented Robinson & Crawford. Other attorneys were present, representing creditors of the William Butler Company. It is said the liabilities of the William Butler Company are about \$100,000. The reason for the sale is said to have

been the hard times. In common with some other merchants in nearly all lines of business, the William Butler Company is said to have found business on the decrease the last year. Stockholders, it is understood, finally decided it would be best to sell the chain of stores.

The Butler stores, like those of Robinson & Crawford, deal in groceries at cut prices. They are scattered all over the city, chiefly in the residential districts. It has been suggested that the entrance of the Childs stores into the Philadelphia field from New Jersey, and the action of the Acme Ten Company recently in abandoning the practice of giving trading stamps with purchases, caused a loss of ustomers to the Butler stores. The

controversy. When the note is dispatched it will take the position that the United States refuses to recognize the undefined blockade de-clared by the Allies against German com-merce. If they want to bottle up the German coast they will be told they must do it in an effective manner with a block-ading squadron as demanded by the laws of the sear. The United States will de-clipe to recognize any blockade merely by the holding up of peaceful merchant ships in midoesan and diverting them, into the blockaders' ports contrary to ex-isting law. Childs stores were the first of the chain system in this city to sell without trading

For some time various proposals for

<text><text><text><text> isting law. On the position taken by the Allies that they can and will interfere with commerce to the neutral Scaudinavian countries and to Holland unless guarantees are given that the groots consigned to them will not set to Germany, the United States will take a much more positive stand. The President's position, which will be made plain to the Allies sither immediately or after the German situation is cleared up will be that interference with American monocutrahand exports is unvarianted and growily unfriendly.

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REPLY FROM KAISER Continued from Fage One to stay off vessels which are due to pass

the so-called "war zone" prescribed by Germany. Rather will this Government assume, it

s expected, that it is the duty of Germany to guarantee the safe passage of neutrals aboard unarmed vessels and that if Germany deems it necessary in its warfare to selze vessels believed to carry ammunition or to torpedo such vessels. there shall be ample warning and protection afforded innocent passengers aboard

WILSON ASKS DIRECT

these vessels. The underlying principle of the American note, in whatever language it may be couched, is that the sea lanes belong to all nations and that no war, no matter how comprehensive it may be, shall

ter how comprehensive it may be, shall close to legitimate travelers the right to go and come unmolested. Whether Germany will regard the resignation of Mr. Bryan as reflecting the ascendency here of what Europa calls a "war spirit," or will assume that the former Bryan following is with Bryan in his present attuide, also is a subject of speculation in official and diplomatio circles. It is suggested that Germany's view of the significance of the Secre-tary's action may shape to a large ex-tent its reply and make for peace or further trouble in the present grave controversy.

isting law.