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# FRENCH HURL BACK FIERCE ATTACK OF CROWN PRINCE'S ARMY ON ARGONNE FRONT

MEANING OF MOVES

IN TODAY'S WAR NEWS

The desperate attempt of the army

The desperate attempt of the army commanded by the Crosen Prince to break through the Argonne lines of the French and the defent of 19,000 Germans at that point are regarded as significant of a German ofensive to turn the French centre. Should the French be able to inflict a decisive defeat upon the Crosen Prince the German centre would be jeopardized and such a reverse might compel a general retreat of the Germans all along the line.

A great movement of Austro-Ger-man troops in South Poland may be

man troops in South Poland may be taken as a menace on the great southern Vistula fortress of Ivangorod to provide a powerful base for the Lemberg victors' upthrust on Warsaw.

Raid of a German Rest convoying troops on the Russian seaport of Windows taken as a size of determined on its taken as a size of determined.

troops on the Russian seaport of Windau is taken as a sign of determined Teuton attempts to strengthen the iuvasion of the Baltic provinces and furnish fresh force to the drive on Warsau from the north, which has its point at Przasynsz. Defeat of this descent on the coast has foiled, at least temporarily, the endeavor to correlate German attacks in the north, in conjunction with the pressure exerted by the victorious Teuton forces in the south. The Russians in southeast Ga-

south. The Russians in southeast Galicia and in southern Poland, by realignment along the Gnila Lipa and Bug Rivers respectively, apparently are stemming the Teutonic tide at the tips of the crescent which represents the Blay front.

Definite gains by the allied troops perating on the Gallipoli peninsula ave strongthened the faith of the

British and French people that the forcing of the Dardanelles, although entailing great sacrifices, will ultimately be accomplished. Each loss of ground by the Turks causes a weakening of their morale and further enhances the spirit of the allied soldiers and commanders.

MAYOR TO VETO BILL

Declare Measure Would Kill

Their Business-Say Trac-

tion Company Cannot Handle

Seven Jitney drivers, representing two

of the jitney associations and most of

the individual drivers, held a two-hour

conference with Mayor Blankenburg at

streets of this city clear of jitney auto-

are Richard Humphires, Jr., Harry Dubin,

Hary Pollack, G. O. South, H. N. Weiser F. E. Hittler and A. H. Tallman. While

they were discussing every phase of the question, Director of Public Works Cooke entered the Mayor's office. He

suggested that it would be utterly im-

casion to point out that some months ago

Thomas E. Mitten, executive head of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, gave out a statement saying it is impos-

sible to provide seats for all passengers

"We are trying to relieve this conges-

"Whatever I do," said Mayor Blanken-burg, as the delegation was about to leave, "it will be what I think is right."

The Mayor argued, in favor of some regulation, that "not one man in a thousand will ride the entire distance of the

four-and-a-half-mile minimum." He re-peated the arguments of Philadelphia Rapid Transit attorneys that the litneys are "getting the cream of the traffic."

which Richard Costello is president, wa

associations represented were the Phila-delphia Jitney Owners' Association and

the Jitney Auto Service Company.
In the course of the conference one of the men told the Mayor that they do not

'Yes, I've got some of that stock and

tra pretty low now."
"I know it is," remarked the Mayor.
"I know also the conditions that have

brought that about, and I have fought against them for 30 years."

Mayor Blaskenburg would go no further than to promise the delegation that he would give the matter "due consideration." He gave no evidence of whether not he intended to sign the ordinance.

or not he intended to sign the ordinance, which would go into effect 19 days after attachment of his signature. His orincipal argument for signing the

present ordinance is that without it the

public would have no adequate pro-

the littley men accept the present ordinance and take up the right against

City Treasury Statement

with parments during the same period aggregating \$2.55.75. The halance in

the treasury last night, excluding the sinking fund amount, was \$11.114,802.74.

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not represented at the meeting.

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JITNEY OWNERS BEG

Crowds.

mobiles.

40,000 Germans Suffer Defeat in Desperate Attempt to Pierce Verdun Lines.

Teutonic Forces Fail to Break Through Left Flank of Enemy Defending Great Fortress and Retreat With Heavy Losses.

Kaiser's Troops Try in Vain to Regain Ground in Alsace—Violent Attacks Repulsed by Joffre's Warriors Operating in Vosges and Along River Fecht.

PARIS, July 1.

The German Crown Prince's army has been beaten and thrown back with severe losses in attacks upon the French posttions around Verdun, in the Argonne region. Defeat of 40,000 German troops who attacked the French trenches in that region is announced in today's official communique from the French War Office. The Teutonic forces in this region are under command of the German Crown Prince, who has resumed his efforts to cut his way through the French lines. He failed in a similar attempt last September, a failure which was primarily responsible for General von Kluck's retreat from the Marne.

Hard fighting is still going on in Alsace. The communique states that the Germans renewed their attacks in the region of Metzeral in the Vosges, but were repulsed, suffering heavy losses.

The text of the communique follows: "The night was quiet in the north in the region of Arras and as far as Champagne.

"The German attack in the Argonne reported yesterday was particularly violent. The forces engaged were esti-mated at two divisions. That attack was broken up. Two new attacks on our trenches to the east of Benarville were repulsed. Another violent attack made by the enemy in the region of Metzeral was completely checked. The Germans suffered heavy losses."

#### BOYS WANT "GOOD TIME;" THEY STEAL FOR SPENDING MONEY

House of Detention Head Explains Spring "Crime Wave."

At this time of the year a boy's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of vacation, good times and sufficient pocket money The last is especially desirable to the said genus, Henry P. Richardson, superintendent of the House of Detention, declared today. He said it is responsible for a veritable waye of petty thieving at this season. An average of three cases a day, involving an average of two boys each, make a problem for authorities of the House of Detention and the Juvenile

"Just after schools close the boys start out to have a good time, or to obtain the means to have a good time." said Mr. Richardson. "They don't intend to do wrong—the last thing in the minds of most of them is the idea of deliberately stealing—but they simply must have that little pocket money which makes life a bright dream. The youngsters do not usually steal money or goods; they enter empty houses and take lead and fittings. A majority of the cases are of this kind.

"After school is over the boys think that a good time is 'coming' to them So they are not overparticular as to how they get that good time. Their friends money to spend and they become envious.

"For some of the offenders I get posi-tions on farms. In other cases I advise the parents to keep a sharper watch on them. Many tales the boys tell me of their desires and ambitions bring up memories of the days when I was a kid. Boys never change; they will get into mischief of some kind in spite of all that their parents do."

Ex-Treasurer of Delaware Injured LAUREL, Del., July 1-Charles Has best known politicians and business me in Delaware, was run over by an auto mobile driven by Jennings Quillen here this morning and severely injured

# THE WEATHER

Be careful. It is best not to allow a hypocritical blue sky to begulle you into thinking you are going to reach home tonight with a dry skin. The skies of yesterday were brilliant, and yestere'en the heavens gave no token of how they could weep without a moment's notice. The first thing you knew was that you were drenched. It may cheer you to know that there were \$57.449 others who likewise felt the damphase acttle on their spines. June, having some in like a sheep, had to go out like a tiger-perhaps more like a crocodile, it was. The upshot of it all is that the month of June bugs, julope, jujubes, June bridge, etn, is gone, and the next station is July 4. We will have to wait till July 6, though, to calebrate. It is more than a tue objectionable provisions later. coincidence that the earth reaches its "farthest west" of the sun that day and that it also is the hottest day of the year, although we could hardly be farther away

from Eot. It will be a hot day, all right.

Eur details, see page 4.

For Philadelphia and vicinity-Partly cloudy tonight and Friday; not much change in temperature; moderwho went prints.

FORECAST

HIS OFFICE MADE INTO BOWER



Superintendent of Mails J. J. Morrissey found his desk piled high with remembrances from friends when he took up his new duties today in the Postoffice Building.

MAYOR SHOWS SAVING

Administration.

"A careful reading and analysis of this,

INDIRECT SAVINGS.

"The direct savings for four years will

amount to much more than \$5,000,000, as is

shown in the reports of the various de-partments, while the indirect savings, in

mproved service, greater efficiency and general results directly traceable to the adoption and pursuing of business meth-ods, with the entire elimination of poli-

"Those years have been marked not only by notable economy in the conduct of the

city's business, but also by a degree of

efficiency which is recognized by our citizens' generally. The city is lighted

more cheaply and much better than eve

before; a pure water supply has con-

tributed to the health of the community

the streets, a few years ago in a most deplorable condition, are well-paved; pub-

lic buildings, bridges and sewers have been constructed with economy, without taint of graft, and in a manner to bring

credit upon Philadelphia; the work of the police and fire bureaus has been re-

organized and rendered more effective the death rate has been reduced, and in a hundred other particulars the city has

taken great strides toward a business

like government. Our people recognize the banefloent results of a city admin

istration conducted on honest business principles for the benefit not of office-holders, nor of politicians, but of the multitude of men, women and children

make 'Our City,' of which we are justly proud, a model in all respects for the cities of the United States."

BABY BORN IN JITNEY CAR,

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Black Infant Gains Distinction as He

Enters the World.

The first jitney baby was born today.

cacktails, jitney rolls,

Bables have been born in trolley cars, coaches and on steamships; there are

sacred trust.

OF \$5,000,000 DESPITE

# **CITY SAVES \$500,000** BY MAKING M'NICHOL CUT CONTRACT PRICES

Forced to Bid Low Through Keen Competition, He Takes Work at \$1,000,000 Which Otherwise Would Have Cost \$1,500,000.

Within the last 69 days, Senator Mc-Nichol and the companies with which he is affiliated have obtained contracts from the Department of Public Works amount-ing to \$1,000,000, in round numbers. In his desire to make sure that he should ob-tain the contracts, Senator McNichol has literally slashed his prices, in one instance actually bidding 55 cents per cubic yard less in 1915 than he did in 1903.

In this mad scramble to get the con-tracts, Senator McNichol has for the first time violated the "gentlemen's agrecment" which was supposed to exist be-tween himself and his affiliated com-panies and the Vares, an agreement that divided the city at Market street.

his office today, and asked him not to his office today, and asked him not to sign the ordinance passed yesterday by City Councils. In effect, the men agreed to the bond and license features of the to the bond and license features of the st. if less per square yard than E. H. ordinance, but they said enforcement of vare bid in 1909.

Another big contract went to Senator McNichol's Union Paving Company at the zone regulations will sweep the a price fully 25 per cent. less than the company bid for the same work for 1912-

> Figuring on the basis of the "Con-Blankenburg admälistration, these same contracts Senator McNichol has obtained at \$1,000,000 would have cost the city practically half a million dollars more. Just what has induced Senator Mc-Nichol to make these startling reductions in the cost of the contract work is known only to himself and his business associates. But the fact remains that he has procured highway work that will keep him in "harness" for from a year to a year and a half.

The contract on which Senator McNichol
has made the biggest cut in his own
ods, with the entire elimination of
prices is that for the work of grading the Northeast Boulevard or Plaza. The fig-

ires are more eloquent than words. In 1903 Senator McNichol received the contract for grading the Northeast Boulevard at 83 cents per cubic yard. His bid on the contract just awarded to him for grading the Plaza is at 23 cents per cubic yard. The difference is 55 cents per cubic yard, or a triffe more than 68 per cent. lower than his bid 12 years ago. But Senator McNichol did not make this reduction of 68 cents per cubic yard One fitney man answered this with the statement that he litneys, because they charge more for their service, are not competitors of the Philadelphia Rapid all at once. He came to it gradually. His standard price in 1903 was 83 cents per cubic yard. When the Blankenburg administration took hold of City Hall he evidently realized that the old figures The Philadelphia Jitney Association, of

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# RE VITTORIO VISITA IL FRONTE DI BATTAGLIA

the men told the Mayor that they do not "get a fair deal" from the police now. He did not go into details. Mayor Blankenburg pointed out that in a way it is his duty to protect the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, its stockholders and its employes. He referred to the transit company as an institution and said it pays enormous sums to city and State as taxes. When he spoke of the stockholders, one of the jitney drivers said: Gli Austriaci Rafforzano le Loro Posizioni-Un Forte Preso con Uno Stratagemma.

Il re e l'on. Salandra hanno appena jeri aera completato un giro di ispezione di tutto il fronte di battaglia e, come

dice un telegramma da Roma, sono stati vivamente applauditi. Il comunicato ufficiale italiano dice che il cattivo tempo che perzista sul fronto dell'Isonzo ha fatto sospendere quasi le operazioni di guerra, dando anche modo agli austriaci di meglio organizzare e rinforzare la lero difesa. Nondimeno le rmioraare la lere difesa. Nondimeno le truppe italiane hanno continuamente cerecuto di estacolare questo lavoro delle forze austriache con piccoli reparti di truppe e con il fuoco delle artislierie.

Un dispaccio da Ginevra dice che gli italiani hanno conquistato leri l'altro un iunches and jitney sodas, but never be-importante forte austriaco a Coni Sugna, a nord-ovest di Als. quando un capitano The newcomer is a bouncing baby boy a nord-ovest di Ala, quando un capitano italiano con un centinale di soldati ai presento di sorpresa davanti al forte a feca credere al comandante austriaco che il forte era circondato. Il comandante della fortessa si arrese. La notista non a confermata da fonta ufficiale.

L'acquipatione di Sculare di Scul

Regains at the City Treasury during the same period agree colors and the couple of the southeastern Disparsed days amounted to \$60.36.16 In the same period agree colors and the couple of the southeastern Disparsed days amounted to \$60.36.16 In the same period agree colors and the couple of the southeastern Disparsed days amounted to \$60.36.16 In the same period agree colors and the same period agree date of the southeastern Disparsed to the

(Leguere in sa pagine le ultime e plu structural Lamber & Timber. Immediate de recenii motinie sulla giarra, in italiano.)

# SUNKEN LINER WAS EMPLOYED BY ADMIRALTY

British Government Admits Control of Torpedoed Armenian to Ambassador Page.

Captain Ignored Warning Shots Before Submarine Struck Final Blow, Survivors Declare-German Commander Called Halt in English.

Steam Crowded On as U-38 Pursued Prey, Fleeing in Zigzag Course. Stricken Ship Not Unresisting Merchantman-Destroyer Biggest and Swiftest Undersea.

WASHINGTON, July 1.
The British Admiratty has informed Ambassador Page, in London, that the steamship Armenian, sunk by a German submarine with the loss of 21 American lives, was engaged in Admiralty business and that she carried no passengers.

This information was cabled by Am-bassador Page to the State Department today. The Ambassador suggested that today. The Ambassador suggested that the Americans who were lost with the Armenian appeared, thorefore, to have been members of the crew. The effect of this statement, if it be confirmed by later developments, will be to remove the claim of the American Government, which otherwise might be brought against Germany, that American citizens on an unarmed merchantman had per-COUNCILS' OPPOSITION Last Annual Message Alon an unarmed merchantman had per lows Facts to Prove Anished through the attack of a German submarine on their vessel. The statement by the British Admiralty

tagonism of Legislators to Ambassador Page is in apparent con-tradiction to the statement issued by the Leyland line officials in New York, to the During Four Years of effect that the Armenian was not under charter to the British Government, but merely was an unarmed merchantman carrying mules to Europe. A scathing indictment of City Councils was delivered today by Mayor Blanken-burg in his fourth and last annual mes-

The British Government, by its admission that the Armenian was on admirally business, virtually piaces the vessel in the legal status of a transport, and the Americans in her crew are placed in the legal status of belligerents.

That Germany will have excellent property for maintaining it was feet. sage to that body. Making few direct accusations, he presented facts which are subject to verification in the records of the city, allowing them to speak for themselves, as an arraignment of the legislative bodies. grounds for maintaining it was justified in sinking the steamship Armenian was the concessus of unofficial opinion here

Detailed reports showed that savings approximating \$5,000,000 were acomplished today under his administration, despite tactics which opposed his work. The State Department ordered a full which opposed his work.

The message was delivered this afternoon. There were no traces of the bitternoes and sarcasm that have marked previous messages of the city's executive to Councils. He confined himself to cold, indisputable facts in every argument he control of the commander of the German quiry was also in progress at Newport when a the Armenian sailed with the control of the commander of the German quiry was also in progress at Newport and the Armenian sailed with the control of the cont

News, whence the Armenian sailed with The final paragraphs of the message presented the fullest and most accurate summary of the administration's record.

They constitute Mayor Blankenburg's own estimate of what has been done. In part, they follow:

Who was in charge of the mules—a

British army officer? News accounts also agreed that, inmy fourth annual message, will show News accounts also agreed that, in that notwithstanding the many obstructions placed in the path of the admin-istration, remarkable results have been aid and trying to escape when the Ger-achieved and that its avowed purpose to man submarine was sighted. Under such

serve the public, and the public only, has borne most graffying fruit.

Circumstances, the best posted authorities agreed that international law justified the Germans in destroying her. Some international experts were of the opinion that if the Armenian was in the London Admiralty's service America's

controversy was with the British Govrnment.
They cited the treaty of Washington.

signed between the United States and Great Britain in 1871, as prohibiting war-ships of either nation, in time of war, from loading war materials at the other nation's ports. Mules, they asserted, were war material, Officials said it would be time to con-

sider this if the Armenian were proved to

#### ARMENIAN TRIED TO FLEE AFTER WARNING WAS GIVEN

AVONMOUTH, Eng., July 1-A monster aubmarine, larger than an ever seen in British waters, torpedoed and sank the Leyland liner Armenian,

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# TWO WEEKS' LEASE OF LIFE FOR BECKER

whom we in public office administer a Governor Reprieves Him to July "Let us unitedly strive to advance the standards of administration which have been established during these years and 26 to Allow Appeal to U. S. Supreme Court.

ALBANY, N. Y., July 1.-Ex-Police High praise for Director of Public Lieutenant Charles Becker, sentenced to Safety George D. Porter is given by the of Herman Rosenthal, today was granted a reprieve until the week of July 28. Governor Whitman granted the respite to snable the condemned man to make a final appeal to the United States Supreme SPEEDING TOWARD HOSPITAL

The Governor's action probably means that Becker will not die until after the autumn term of the Supreme Court if at

Hermit Veteran Wills \$1500 to Charity HAGERSTOWN, Md., July 1.—Cash amounting to \$1500, saved out of a \$30-amounting to size, saved out of a so-a-month Civil War pension and hoarded by Henry Graybill in his log cabin in the mountains near here, will be divided be-tween the Washington County Ohphans Home and the Washington County Hoz-pital under the terms of Graybill's will. The veteran lived for many years as a harron and was 86 years old when he numb and was 86 years old when he

Hams in Richmond are a ouriceity since the Shumrocks ran their pionic.

LOST AND FOUND

# QUICK NEWS

### SUIT AGAINST SPORTING GOODS COMPANY

Suit by attachment was begun in Common Pleas Court No. 5 today by P. Goldsmith's Sons, a Cincinnati firm, against Chief Bander Sporting Goods Company to recover \$400 alleged to be due for a bill of goods furnished the Bender concern.

#### THIRTY LIVES LATEST ESTIMATE OF ARMENIAN LOSS

LONDON, July 1 .- Admiralty dispatches this afternoon reported 30 lives lost in the sinking of the liner Armenian, 11 of which were Americans. Survivors were landed at Cardiff, Bristol and Liverpool. The American Embassy today arranged to send the American survivors to their homes.

#### UNITED STATES LOAN SOCIETY SUES FORMER OFFICERS

Proceedings in equity were brought today in Common Pleas Court by the United States Loan Society against 17 former officers and directors, charging negligence and in some instances permitting fraudulent transactions, in an effort to have them held accountable for more than \$300,000 impairment of capital in the last eight years. The bill was filed by John G. Johnson, A. S. Weill and L. S. Oliver. The defendants are G. and L. Mayer, M. P. Clayton, R. C. Lupton, Walter Scott, F. N. Barksdale, E. C. Shapley, J. Boekel, W. Rodenhausen, J. Stewart, Jr., W. J. Haggerty, Fred Schoff, G. Davis, H. N. Bayne, F. Pearson, G. D. Hopkins and the estate of Harry W. Stoll, represented by Samuel M. Clement, Jr., and Herbert J. Horan, Jr., administrators

#### CRUISER WASHINGTON REACHES CAPE HAITIEN

WASHINGTON, July 1.-The cruiser Washington arrived at Cape Haitlen today, Admiral Caperton, commanding, notified the Navy Department. It was expected he would land marines at once. Caperton asked that the gunboat Eagle, surveying in West Indian waters, be sent to Port au Prince as a further precaution.

#### GENERAL MILES WOULD NOT KEEP MALCONTENTS IN ARMY

WASHINGTON, July 1.-Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles, retired, formerly chief of staff of the army, told Secretary of the Navy Daniels during a social call today that he considered it unwise for the Government to refuse to accept the resignation of a military officer. He said that his long experience in the army had taught him that a discontented officer was a handicap to the service, quite aside from the fact that his retention would stop the promotion of younger men.

### NEW PROBE INTO LUSITANIA SPEED

LONDON, July 1 .- Further investigation of the charges that the Lamiania was running at reduced speed when torpedoed was begun here today. Joseph Marichal, a passenger, said the Cunard Company, out of consideration for the reduced speed, cut the second class fare from \$70 to \$50. "It seems to me it would have been better to lay the pockets of the

passengers open to attack instead of their lives," commented Marichal, U. S. REVENUE HERE INCREASES \$3,444,147.98 IN YEAR

Reports for the fiscal year by the Collector of Internal Revenue show an increase of \$3,444,147.98 over the receipts of last year. The increase is attributed to the income tax payments and the special taxes under the emer-

ITALY'S KING AND PREMIER CHEERED AT FRONT

ROME, July 1.-King Victor Emmanuel and Premier Salandra were wildly cheered when they visited General Cadorna's headquarters near the firing line, official dispatches reported today.

The King and Prime Minister toured the entire front, completing their journey last night. They assured the army leaders that civil heads in Rome were giving them the most loyal backing.

FRENCH AND GERMANS EXCHANGE INVALID PRISONERS BERLIN, July 1.-Arrangements for the exchange on a large scale of

invalid French and German war prisoners were completed today. The Germans will arrive at the Swiss frontier on July 11 and be taken to hospitals at Karisruhe and Mannheim. The French will reach Lyons the same day.

#### TURKS REPULSED ON BLACK SEA COAST PETROGRAD, July 1.—The following report on operations in the Cau-

casus was issued at the War Office today: "A fusillade occurred in the coastal region. Toward Olty the Turks at-

tempted to intrench on the left bank of the Torun, but were dispersed by our fire. The enemy attacked our positions at Mount Heidag, but were compelled to retreat to their position. The attack was renewed in the evening and again repulsed."

# KILLED BY STOLEN JITNEY

Injuries received when he was struck by a stolen auto which had been converted into a jitney resulted in the death of Henry Hoover, 54 years old, at his home, 1224 Jackson street, today. An additional charge of manslaughter was placed against 19-year-old Clarence Reynolds, 2523 South Watts street, the driver of the jitney, who confessed he had stolen the car at Broad and Walnut streets. The accident occurred Tuesday at Broad and Jackson streets. W. H. Ryan, 229 South 50th street, is the owner of the car.

# BANKS PAY CITY \$146,048 INTEREST ON DEPOSITS

Interest paid to the City Treasury during the first six months of this year by banks and trust companies holding city deposits aggregated \$146,048.31. Trust companies paid \$73,409.59 of that amount and banks paid \$73,638.72. Of the total interest amount paid by the banks, \$54,930.84 was on the city fund, \$17,341.32 on sinking fund deposits and \$306.56 on the fire insurance fund deposits. The total amount on strictly city fund deposits paid by the banks and trust companies was \$128,400.43.

# BATTLESHIP KEARSARGE TO HAMPTON ROADS

The battleship Kearsarge left the Philadelphia Navy Yard at 8 o'clock this morning bound for Hampton Roads. There she will take abourd the Lieutenant Charles Becker, sentenced to naval militia of the District of Columbia and North Carolina for their annual practice cruise. Forty officers and 350 men are expected to beard the ship. They will be at nea two weeks,

# SENATOR VARE TO BUILD BROAD STREET RESIDENCE

Senator Edwin S. Vare will build a handsome home at 2009 and 2011 South Broad street, and work will begin immediately. The Schatge bounds the ground from David H. Simon, a produce dealer, the negetiations being made today in the office of the latter's brother, Burton C. Simon, a real estate agent of 19th street and Passyunk avenue. The lot for Vare's new home is 40 by 150 feet and is in the 39th Ward.

# AUSTRIAN AIR SQUADRON BOMBARDS BELGRADE

VIENNA, July 1.-Austrian aviators bombanded Belgrade on Wednesday damaging the wharf, it was officially announced today. This is the first activity reported from the southern theatre of war for some time. The statement said: "The wharf at Belgrade was bombarded on Wednesday by an air squadron. The camp at Grasac was bombarded with excellent traulia

# MONTENEGRINS PUSH OFFENSIVE IN BOSNIA

ROME, July L-Montenegrin troops have inveded the Austrian province of Bosals, occupying the mountain village of Voutchero. The Moutenearies are continuing their offensive, driving worthward through southeastern to nia, according to dispatches to the Montenegrin Legation here.

# GERMANY PUTS BAN ON COTTON MANUFACTURES

COPENHAGEIN, July 1.—Beginning August 1, the manufacture of goods in Germany will be probiblied, according to advice reaching today. The Government is reported to have placed the ban to conserve many's auguly of cotton for war musilled purposes.