EVENING LEDGER-PHILADELPHIA, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1915.

glass; his chubby, ungloved hand clutch-

In his China-blue eyes shone a holy

except the rocking-horse with its real

hide skin and its glistening black mane

of awed ecstasy, "Look at the hobby-norse. Say, ma," this in a pleading voice

as though he recognized who, after all

CHILD EAGER FOR DEATH

"Don't Want to Get Well," He Says a

Moment Before the End

BLOOMSBURG, Pai, Dec. 10,-"I don't vant to get well, father," said Wilmer 'nger, the four-year-old son of Mr. and

Mrs. George Unger.

"Look, mamma, look!" he said in tones

and tail.

mas?

BATTAGLIA NAVALE ITALO-AUSTRIACA SUL LITORALE ALBANESE

16. 22

Una Squadra Italiana Sorprende ed Attacca le Navi Nemiche Impegnate a Bombardare San Giovanni di Medua

RISULTATO IGNOTO IL

ROMA, 19 Decembre Un telegramma da Atene dice che una battaglia navale e' stata combattuta nei Mare Adriatico tra le flotte Italiana el anstrisca. Il telegromma non da' per ora altri particolari, ne' alcum annuncio di eneste genere e' stato uno ora dato a di questo scaere e' stato amora dato a Roma dal Ministero della Marina. B' facile imaginarsi quanta sia l'attesa per potizie circa questa battaglia navale. ma le autorita' sono ancora silenziose al

Un altro telegramma da Atene dice che non si consecono nemmeno cola' i particolari od il risultato della battaglia che sarobbe stata combattuta ieri al largo costa albanese.

Secondo informazioni di fonte diplomatica ad Atene, una squadra austriasa era impegnata a bombardare il porto al-banese di San Giovanni di Medua, quando sopraggiunse una squadra italiana che diede subito battaglia alle navi da guerra

austriache. Il Ministero della Guerra pubblicava leri sera il seguente comunicato ufficiale sulla situazione sul teatro della guerra italo-austriaca:

In parecchi punti del fronte di battaglia l'artig'ierla nemica ha tentato di interrompere i nostri lavori di consolida-mento delle nuove posizioni, ma il preciso ed efficace fuoco delle nostre batterie ha

ed efficace fuoco delle nostre batterie ha frustrato questi tentativi. "Nella zona del Monie Nero, favorito dalla densa nebbia, un reparto austriaco penetro' in una delle nostre trincee sullo aperone del Vodil, ma ne fu immediata-mente cacciato da violenti contrattacchi da perte delle nostre truppe. "Sul fronte dell'Isonzo le cattivissime condizioni dal terreno in secuio allo

condizioni del terreno in seguio al'e forti ploggie dei giorni scorsi, non hanno punto fatto diminuire l'attivita' delle nostre truppe di fanteria.

"Sulle alture del Calvario, ad ovest di Gorizia, noi prendemmo ieri (mercoledi) un riparo nemico nel quale trovammo fucill, munizioni ed altro materiale da

guerra. "Nel settore del Monte San Michele, sul Carso, durante una operazione di poca Importanza, noi prendemmo 71 prigionieri, fra i quali tre ufficiali."

SUCCESSI DAVANTI A GORIZIA. Un telegramma da Udine dice che le forze italiane operanti davanti a Gorizia, che nel giorni scorai videro le loro operazoni plu'o meno ostacolate dal cat-tivo tempo, rafforzarono leri le loro posizioni impadronendosi di una forte opera di difesa austriaca sulle alture del Calvario. Gli italiani ottennero il successo con un

attacco di sorpresa operato in una densa nebbla, che valse a nascondere al nemico la loro avanzata. Presi alla sprovvista. quando meno se lo aspettavano, molti dei difensori furono uccisi dalle balonette italiane prima che il comandante austri-aco si arrese e lascio la ridotta nelle mani degli italiani.

Si dice che questo successo e' impor-tante perche' viene a diminuire sensibilmente la difesa austriaca della testa di ponte di Gorizia tra il Sabotino sperone del Podgora. elo

L'OSTILITA' DEI GRECI

Un telegramma da Salonicco dice che i Un telegramma da Salonicco dice che i greci di quella citta' si mostrano velatamente ostili agli allenti. Il tele-gramma e' stato inviato al Dally Tele-graph di Londra, riuscendo ad eludere la censura, e da' alcuni esempli di questa ostilita' dell'elemento greco di Salonicco. Non appena i primi contingenti di frunne allente erano abarcati che i truppe alleate crano sbarcati che i prezzi dei viveri e degli articoli di prima necessita' furono portati a due volte e tre volte il loro prezzo originale ed al trasporto di munizioni e di rifornimenti per le truppe furono applicate le tariffe piu'alte aumentate di una sopratassa del 5 per cento, mentre per il trasporto di

ogni soldato fu imposta una tariffa superiore del 7 e mezzo per cento a quella che si applicava ad un passegero ordi-



HOPING HARD These little waifs are "Ruth" and "George," children of the poor who hope to be entertained by the rich on Christmas Day, according to a novel plan worked out by the Children's Aid Society.

SANTA CLAUS COMING TO CHILDREN OF POOR

Friendless Little Ones to Have Merry Christmas by Being "Lent" to Lonely Rich

Probably 100 little children, who otherwise would no doubt spend a lonesome Christmas, without any one to look out for them, will have the fullest measure of holiday happiness this year as the result of a novel plan originated by the

Children's Aid Society-that of "lending out" boys and girls for Christmas. Already 30 applications have been received by the society from places far and near to send a child to cheer the applicants for this unique charity, and so far that number of little ones are assured of as happy a Christmas as ever they will have, for, in most cases, they are going to the homes of wealthy people, who have promised them the time of their young lives.

A long line of children is waiting ex-pectantly day after day at the society's headquarters for Santa Claus in the form of the kind-hearted man or woman who will eventually come to claim them. "Will the lady come today who is to take mis to her home and show me Santa Claus and give me toys for Christmas?" they inquire daily of Miss Tague, who is in charge of them. Probably the most In charge of them, Fronally the most impatient of these are Ruth, 3 years old, and George, who is 4. Little Ruth's mother is in service and cannot afford to take care of her, much less provide her Christmas joys; while George is so com-letely friendless that, aside from the

an interest in him. Miss Tague offered the photographs of these children, who are typical of those who are being "lent out." as a pathetic appeal to the charitably inclined to come



Home and Few of Them Visit in Atlantic City Now

PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS

ATLANTIC CITY, Dec. 10-Discerning persons, who spend the greater part of the year at the shore, among them many Philadelphians who retain apartments at the most expensive hotels through all ing firmly his mother's thin black shirt. at the most expensive hotels through all seasons, find "types" on the Boardwalk in December no less than in mad and merry August time. Young people are completiously missing, for education calls them to the colleges and schools, but more mature tourists from all over the country are here in surprising numbers. was even a spiendidly pink-and-white Santa Claus, but the boy saw nothing

country are here in surprising numbers. Because of the war Europeans are scarce in the hotel colony. Occasionally "Paris" or "London" is written on a hotel register, but rich refugees are by no means so numerous as during the first 12 months of the conflict abroad. Most of the ultra fashienably garbed folk on the wooden way in December pass for New Yorkers, whether they are or not, while Philadelphians have the reputation of being the "best-dreased" people seen of being the "best-dressed" people seen here.

Christmas will be more than usually gay in the hotel colony this year. Nearly every one of the big Boardwalk bouses vill have Christmas trees.

Much interest is evinced by long-staying visitors in the preparations of shore people to care for the little folk of the poor. It was a proud boast last year that not a single child whose name was known went without a Christmas present. The Elks and newspapers provided for hundreds. Atlantic City's real "Santa Claus," however, is Miss Jennie Lois Ellis, a prac tical little woman who is general secre-tary of the shore organized charities. Business managers of the Philadelphia

Orchestra have given a hard-working committee of women, who managed to make a double visit of the orchestra here last winter financially successful, warn-ing of a new rule that threatens to be embarrassing. Unless full houses are as-sured for the two concerts scheduled for January and March, Atlantic City will be propped from the itinerary of the musical organization.

The Hotel St. Charles, which is to have a new 12-story front of imposing architecture, will not close its doors dur-ing the process of construction, it was ounced today.

The old section of the Breakers, as the Hotel Rudolf, upon which \$400,000 is being spent, will be known hereafter, will be reopened in time for the Christ-mus such mas rush, 'Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bloomingdale,

Jr., are among the Philadelphians here. Edwin Lefevre, the writer, has been reat-ing by taking long Boardwalk tramps. Mrs. William Steele and Miss Esther Steele, of Elkins Park, will spend several weeks at Haddon Hall. Mrs. James A. Spence and Miss Helen Covey, of Easwill remain here over the holidays Philadelphia is represented also by Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Lawrence, Miss M. W. Sherrock, Mr. and Mrs. William G. Gay-nor, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Fitter, George Filter, Harry S. Kates, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Stonebach, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Weiler, Alfred Schlesinger, Mrs. L. von Horvath, Mr. and Mrs. George Uber and Miss A.

Mr. and Mrs. George Coer and Miss A. M. Rothermel. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Williams gave a pretty dance in honor of Miss Sarah Brown at their Virginia avenue home. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Poffenberger, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scull and Theodore Sharn were the dinner duests of Mr. and Sharp were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs Daniel J. Scull.

drs. Daniel J. Scull. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ryon have returned o Philadelphia after spending a week n Ventnor. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Greene ave closed their Ventnor cottage and cill spend the winter in Philadelphia. Miss Mary McKale, of Germantown, s the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin budy of Chalces

BOARDWALK STROLLERS NICE, NEW PAIR OF SHOES FOR LITTLE BOY INSTEAD OF ROCKINGHORSE HE WANTED

Five-year-old Lad Plays His Part in One of Many Small Tragedies That Occur in the Lives of Window-Shoppers

He seemed such a tiny tot-one of that | making well-fed, warmly-dressed passersvast army of juvenile window-shoppersas he stood outside a Market street shop. his up-tilted nose pressed flat against the

making well-fed, warmly-dressed passer by clasp their coats closer for protection. The youngster's eyes and thoughts were back on the horse again. "Ah, horsie," he patted the window loy-ingly and did not seem to mind the cold touch of the glass. "Say, Ma." he re-ponted his question, "do you think Santy"li bring me that?" The mother hesitated, unwilling to risk a lie. The lines on her face, penciled by indigence and poverty, seemed to

light of expectancy as he fastened his gaze on a beautiful shiny rocking-horse. by indigence and poverty, seemed to There were drums and skates and mechanical trains in that window. There

"Now, son," she said finally, as the boy "Now, son," she said finally, as the boy plucked at her skirts demanding an an-swer, "you said yesterday that you wanted a new pair of shoes, big, strong, laced ones, just like a man's." One last look at the horse and then a

searching gaze at his mother's face. The buby lits trembled. He could not have been more than five. A big tear welled up. And then the storm broke.

Shoes instead of a hobby-horse!

The mother stooped to comfort him. "Another Christmas tragedy," said a woman who stood near and had witnessed was the real Kris Kringle, "do you think Santy'll bring me one o' them on Christthe scene. But the Santa Claus on the corner was jingling his bell merrily and the passing cars and vehicles were clai-The mother's eves dropped to the The mother's eyes dropped to the context gone. child's feet. His shoes were almost gone. The soles were worn and the uppera frayed. At any minute they might fall apart. The woman herself was far too sketchily clad for the icy wind that was

FUNERAL OF D. V. BROWN

Head of Optical Firm Buried This Morning

Funeral services for D. V. Brown, founder and head of the wholesale optical business at 738 Sansom street and president of the Bansom Street Rusiness Men's Association, were held this morning at his residence, at 1837 Tioga street, at 1930 o'clock. The services and interment were private.

Mis. George Unger. "Why not." asked the father. "Because I am going to Jeaus." A few minutes latter Mr. Unger at-tempted to give the little lad a glass of milk. The boy turned it aside with the remark: "I don't want any milk; Jeaus will have supper for me." Mr. Brown died on Tuesday night at his home after an illness of two months. He was well known for the wide interest

he took in movements for civic improve-ments and philanthropy. He was a Ma-son and member of several clubs. A widow, son and granddaughter survive him. tery, BECK. Suddenly, on December & Da 1915, RAY D., hushand of Eveline Det a son of Daniel and Annie Beck, Relative at friends, size employes of Studebaser Annua bile Corporation, are invited to attend the corporation of the source of the services, Monday, at 2 p. m. at the services, Monday, at 2 p. m. at the ence of his parents, made Paring at the ment at Arlington Cometery. Friends and (lew creating Sunday evening, from 8 we to o'clock.

Funeral of Father Scullin

Funeral services for the Rev. Daniel J. B. Scullin, who died on Tuesday in New York, will be held tomorrow at \$:30 o'clock, in the Catholic Church of St. John the Baptist, Manayunk. Interment will follow in St. John's Cemetery.

BIELER. --On December 5, 1915, MOLAL wife of Jacob Bleier, aged 80 years tives and friends are invited to attend to funeral services, on Saturday, at 1 5 at at the residence of her son-in-law, Han Stem, 2053 North 6th st. Interment at new wood Cemetery. Bemains may be viewed as Friday evening. **OBITUARIES**

BECK.

John H. Holmes

John H. Holmes, a member of the board of directors of the Master Builders' Exchange, who lived at the Normandie Hotel, died yesterday at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. H. Rice, at Cazenovia, N. sister, Mrs. W. H. Rice, at Cazenovia, N. Y. Mr. Hoimes is survived by a son, John Hershey Hoimes, 16 years old; a sister and two brothers. He was 58 years old. For 20 years he was the local representa-tive of J. B. King & Co., dealers in builders' materials.

Deaths

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ABHOTT. — On December S, 1915, JOHN B, Instanti of Charloite Abbott, aged 47 years. Relatives and Irlends of the fumily, also the members of P. O. S. of A. Camp No. 458; Cramp's Mutual Reneficial Association: Order of Independent American Mechanics: Chester Knights of Malta; Orlental Commundery, No. 106, and employee of Wm. Cramp Shipbuild-ing Company, are invited to attend the fai-neral services. Friday, at S p. m., at his late residence. SIA Mercer st. Interment Chester Rujal Cemetery, Saturday, at 1 p. m.
 ARMOUR.—On December 8, 1015, SOPHIA, wifa of Thomas Armour, Sr. (new MacNutt), Refutes and Triends are Invited to attend the funeral services, on Saturday, at 1 is inten-ing the services, and Formet st. Comsho-hocken, Ta, Interment at Fernwood Ceme-tery.

ARMERTRONG, --On December 9, 1915, IDA JANE, whow of Charles Armstrong and old-est daughter of the late James and Catharine Orr. Due notice of the funeral will be given, from her late residence, 2425 Passyuna ave. ARMSTRONG, --On December 9, 1915, WILL-IAM ALEXANDER, son of Thomas and Mar-garet Armstrong. Relatives and friends are invited to attend funeral services, Saturday, at 2 p. m. from his parents residence, 830 S. Stod st. Interment at Mount Moriah Ceme-tery.

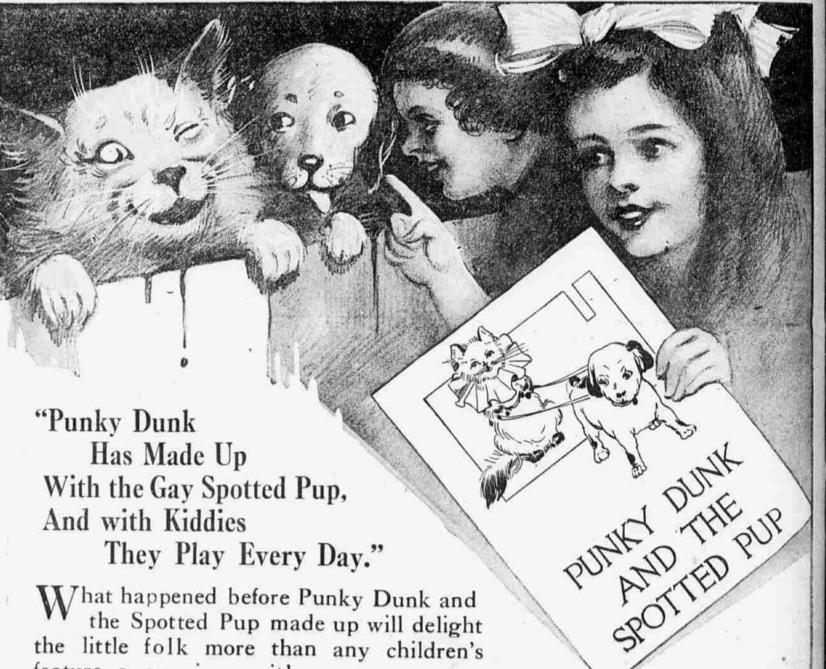
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 BALL.—On December 8, 1915, HENRY, hus-band of Catharine Itall, aced 61 years, Rela-tives and Friends are invited to attend the funeral services, on Sunday, at 2 p. m., at his late residence, 3136 G st. Interment at Oakland Cemetery. Remains may be viewed Saturday, after 7 p. m.
 BEANTON.—On December 7, 1915, SARAH JANE, widow of George D, Beaston, in her 75th year. Relatives and friends are invited

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BROOMALL, Oh December 8, 1916, BAAG E MOOMALL, Oh December 8, 1916, BAAG E MOOMALL, Oh December 8, 1916, BAAG E MOOMALL, In this stuth year. Petution and the function was a several several services. Name of the Bood and the Goddard bar, are included and the Goddard bar. The stuth of the several services and 10 p. m. According to attend the function of the Goddard bar.
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nario, non solo, ma il direttore delle ferrovie pretese che il prezzo di trasporto fosse pagato in oro e prima che i soldati partissero.

Se i soldati prendevano in affitto una Se i soldali prendevano in affitio una casa, le autorita' militari greche annulla-vano il contratto pretendendo che della casa aveva bisogno lo Stato. Lo stesso si faceva per i cavalli, per i carretti e per altro. Intanto le autorita' greche avevano pertenuente afformati il conte komo

segretamente rafforzato il forte Kara-burun, all'entrata del porto ed avevano costruito altre opere di difesa montandovi cannoni pesanti, e si scopersero che mine subacquee erano state preparate e si Tenevano pronte per essere lanciate alle foci dei Vardar. Sulle alture vicine a Salonicco erano

sinte scavate trincee ed eretti reticolati di ferro, montandovi anche cannoni con le hocche rivolte verso il campo degli

alleati. Inoltre l'esercito greco, invece di concentrarsi verso la frontiera della Bul-garia, dove era il pericolo, si radunava attorno a Salonicco e sulla strada di Ghevgvell.

Per quanto riguarda la Grecia, il Dr Dillon, che conosce la situazione bal-canica, che el trova a Roma, ha tele-grafato a Londra che anche se gli alleati estorceranno alla Grecia delle promesse essi dovrebbero considerare sempre grave la situazione.

FAVOR LITERACY TEST - FOR ELECTION OFFICERS

Editors of Civic Bulletin Also Suggest Three Weeks' Instruction at Polls

"Ward Affairs" will be discussed by the members of the Civic Club at their meeting on Monday, when it is expected that suggestions will be made toward the

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and take them and brighten their monota-nous existence. Then there are Frank and Joe, 7 and 5

years old respectively. They are brothers and they were brought to the society re-cently from up the State, where they were left motherless. The society is espe-cially desirous of placing these children. In fact, they are worried more about the hows in their charge then the side. boys in their charge than the girls. In most cases, girls, especially with golden curls, are easily provided for, but boysomehow or other there does not se to be so great a demand for them. There are those, however, who prefer boys, and it is for these they are waiting and hop-

Inquiries have come to the society from Inquiries have come to the society from all parts of the country. In some cases hey come from childless homes; in oth-ers from bachelors or spinsters who de-sire to give the children some happiness; while in not a few cases requeits have come from aged couples whose sons or daughters have married, leaving them lorely and with no one to care for. In many instances children who are "borrowed" for the holidays are kept permanently and adopted into their new

permanently and adopted into their new homes, their benefactors becoming so at-tached to them that they do not want to send them back. In this way the so-ciety's novel loan plan often leads to un-told possibilities.

told possibilities. For the benefit of those who would play Santa to these friendless children, they may be seen any day at the headquarters may be seen any day at the headquarters.

Appellate Court Affirms Verdict BERWICK, Pa., Dec. 10.-The decision of Judge Charles B. Witmer, of the United States Court, at Sunbury, who al-lowed a verdict of \$4500 to Wasyl Matzok against the American Car and Foundry Company, of this place, for the loss of a leg, has been sustained by the United States Appelate Court. 600 Employes Meet and Form "The Light Brigade"

A "Light Brigade," comprising 600 em-ployes of the United Gas Improvement Company, was formed at a meeting last night at Lu Lu Temple. Unlike the "600" immortalized by Tennyson, the new or-ganization has for its purpose the promo-tion of the "safety-first" idea, and with this in view adopted the motto:

Theirs was to reason why. Theirs was to do, not die Careful Six Hundred!

A pledge that each man would sup-port the work of John Price Jackson, State Commissioner of Labor and Industry, in the prevention of accidents, was taken last night at the instance of Samuel T. Bodine, president of the company. Commissioner Jackson, W. H. Gartley, W. J. Sherrill and J. B. Doug-lass discussed "safety-first" methods.

"MIKE" DORIZAS TO LECTURE

Exponent of "Muscular Christianity" Will Discuss Greek Crisis

"Mike" Dorizas, breaker of all strength records at the University of Pennsylva-nia, wrestler and expert football player, will deliver a lecture tonight on "The Present Crisis in Greece-Her Relations to the Warring Powers," at the parish house of Christ Church, "liphchocken and house of Christ Church, Tulpehocken and McCallum streets, Germantown. The lec-ture will be given under the auspices of the Men's Club of the church. Dorigantial is a Greek, and is well ac-quainted with the peculiar position in which his country and King stand at the present time. Ever since he entred the University he has gone out for and made various athletic teams, although he has not let this interfere with what he terms his duties to Christianity.

The Christmas Spirit In Europe

The joy and jollity of Yuletide with happy homes, bounteous boards and glad hearts is eclipsed in belligerent Europe by desolated hearths and the tears of widows and orphans. In the Sunday Public Ledger there is a story-or a series of sketches-of contrast. It purposes to represent the cele-bration of Christmas in the chief of the warring nations of Europe long, long ago, and of this year. In actual time the difference is but two years, but, measured by bloodshed, suffering, death and civilization overthrown, it is an age.

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