

### FIERCE BATTLE **BRITISH TROOPS CHECK OF ALLIES' PUSH PRELUDE** QUICK NEWS TO PEACE. BERLIN EXPERTS THINK STORM AND WIN **ON AS RUSSIANS** ST. LOUIS 1st G. 2114000 By CARL W. ACKERMAN ATHLETICS .... 0000030 BERLIN, July 11 .- The great Allied offensive will end in defeat within **CONTALMAISON** APPROACH GOAL a few weeks and will be followed by negotiations for peace, in the opinion of Koob and Severoid; Hasselbacher and Murphy. well-informed persons in Berlin. The check administered to the British in the death struggle north of the AMERICAN LEAGUE Somme has given rise to the national hope that peace will follow the fighting Slav Patrols Which Crossed Keystone Position East of CLEVELAND ..... 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 2 6 8 in Picardy, which has been marked by unprecedented slaughter. The German Albert Recaptured by Stokhod Retire Before people are virtually a unit in believing that the attempt of the Allies to force NEW YORK, 1stg.. 3 0 0 5 0 0 0 0 x - 3 8 0 Beebe and Billings; Cullop and Walters. English the German line is doomed to failure. Superior Numbers . Except on one narrow sector the British have been unable to make any CHICAGO ...... 0 0 1 0 0 perceptible impression on the German lines, despite their overwhelming su-FRENCH FIRM AT VERDUN 23 MILES FROM KOVEL BOSTON, 1st g ..... 1 0 4 0 0 periority in men. Impetuous dashes have frequently carried General Haig's Danforth and Schalk; Ruth and Cady. men into German positions, where they were immediately cut off and killed **Repulse Fierce German Attacks** or captured. The French, more prudent, have made some progress south of Teutons Set Forests on Fire to DETROIT, 1st g .... 0 1 2 1 0 on Meuse-Close in on the Somme, but thus far neither French nor British have developed the Stem Sweping Onrush powerful attack necessary to completely break the deadlock in the west and Peronne WASHINGTON .... 0 0 0 1 0 of Czar's Armies roll the Germans out of France and Flanders. The feeling prevails here that when the extent of the British losses be-BERLIN, July 11.\_\_Repulse of Strong PETROGRAD, July 11. British attacks on both sides of the comes fully known in England, coupled with the fact that the German front The main Russian army of General Kalestill remains intact, public opinion will demand that peace be made without Bapaume-Albert highway, between the lines in Volhynia, which is driving against Ancre and the Somme, was announced further slaughter. the great German base of Kovel along the German experts are quite certain that the British will never quit the by the War Office this afternoon. Kiev railway from Sarny, is now less than attack without first feeling out other sectors of the German front in the The attacking enemy forces were 23 miles from its objective. AOUEDUCT RACING RESULTS mowed down by German fire before they hope of finding an opening. Russian patrols which crossed the Stok-But they are confident that the British will have no greater success hod River in the face of violent resistance came to close fighting. First race, 2-year-olds, selling, \$500, 5 furlongs-Marie Odile, from General von Linsingen's Austro-Geragainst the strongly fortified lines further north than they have had beween Contalmaison, keystone position on 110, McCahey, 9 to 2, 8 to 5 and 7 to 10, won; Cheer, 109, Taplin, man troops, have reached points many miles the Ancre and the Somme. the Ancre River front and a village of 4 to 5, 1 to 4 and out, second; Mirza, 114, Garner, 12 to 1. 5 to 1 and nearer to Kovel, but is is understood that Some of the more optimistic of the German correspondents, notably the great strategic importance in the adthey had to retire before superior numbers. 5 to 2, third. Time, 1.01. today. correspondent at the front of the Vossische Zeitung, believe that the Allied vance of the British toward Bapaume, Fierce rearguard battles are being fought offensive already has been brought to a standstill. by the Austro-German armies, particularly is once more in the hands of General along the Stokhod, where the retreating Haig's troops. It was recaptured from CONVENTION HALL VILLA LURES MEN forces blew up all the bridges and planted the Germans last night by storm, the SECOND U-BOAT LINER NOT HEARD FROM IN MONTH guns to sweep the crossings. British War Office announced today. South of the Sarny-Koyel Ballroad (the

The recapture of Contalmaison marks the culmination of a great struggle that has been raging for the village since the beginning of the Allied offensives, during which the British took the village, July 7, but were later compelled to surrender it back to the Germans.

Contalmaison lies between the Ancre and Somme Rivers about eight miles south of Bapaume, the immediate objective of the British in the great Anglo-French drive for the Peronne-Bapaume-Cambrai railway.

Further east, the British stormed enemy trenches in Mametz wood, the greater part of which is now in their possession. Heavy fighting continues in Trones wood, north of Hardecourt.

German troops launched a powerful attack against French works northeast of Verdun at 4 o'clock this morning, after an intense bombardment extending from Fleury to the Chenois wood, the French War Office reported this afternoon.

East of the Chenois wood and in Fumin wood, the Germans occupied advanced French trenches, but were later driven out.

The French War Office admitted that German troops entered 200 yards of French trenches in Lorraine east of Reillon.



EL PASO, Tex., July 11 .--- A proc-laination bearing the name of Franapprove in detail the plans that have been completed by John W. Windrin, the archicirco Villa has been received here, addressed to the people of Mexico tect. Cost of the structure will be double the original estimate of \$1.500,000 and its completion will be dependent upon the city

and calling them to arms. They are urged to "combat the aggression of the United States." Mayor Smith, who has just signed a bill The proclamation declares that Villa has recruited the central corps appropriating \$20,000 toward the construction of the hall at 21st street and of a new army and will at once prothe Parkway, is anxious that work be ceed north and give battle to the Amyrican army in Mexico. There is

started this fall and means to urge the no indication in the proclamation of the place where it was issued. prompt advertisement for estimates for construction. There is available at this time \$1,418,000, in addition to the just authorized \$20,000, and this sum is deemed EL PASO, Texas, July 11 .- Mutiny and

desertion are rapidly depleting the ranks sufficient to get the building well under of Cairranza's army, according to reports

ters in covering the German retreat, the Russians being unable to pass along the highways leading through the burning forests. The retreating Austro-German armles in Volhynia are leaving a desolate country in their wake. Railroads are being torn up and bridges hurned behind the retreating forces. Farm buildings are burned and every article that might help the advancing

Kiev Railway), and between the Styr and

Goryn Rivers, the Germans have set fire

o the forests to impede the Russian ad-

Huge conflagrations, whose glare lights

up the night and whose pall obscures the

noonday sun, has succeeded in some quar-

ance.

roops is destroyed. Although heavy fighting is in progress north of the Pripet marshes and in Galicia, principal interest centres upon the mighty engagement in Volhynia, where a decisive victory for the Russians would compel a realignment of the Austro-German forces and open the way for an advance against the fortresses which fell during the Austro-German offensive last sum-

Svidniki, on the Stokhod, about which here is violent fighting, is expected to be in Russian hands very soon, according to official advices from the front.

The Russian onrush is the centre of the Stockhod sector was so swift and so sudden that almost before the German bugles had sounded retreat the troops of Brusiloff were

LONDON, July 11. - An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen quotes the German newspaper Vorsische Zeitung as stating that the Doutschland's sister submarine merchantship Bremen left Kiel for the United States a month ago and has not been heard from since.

### "UNCLE JOE" ASSAILS PRESIDENT WILSON'S POLICIES

WASHINGTON, July 11 .- A resolution asking an appropriation of \$300,000 to get Americans out of disturbed districts of Mexico today brought from "Uncle Joe" Cannon a vigorous denuncation of the Admnistration's Mexican policy and sharp criticism of the President's Detroit sneech.

# DUTCH STEAMSHIP SUNK BY A SUBMARINE

YMUIDEN, Holland, July 11 .- The Dutch steamship Geertruida has been sunk by a submarine. Nine members of the crew were saved.

### KING OF MOONSHINERS MORTALLY SHOT

RALEIGH, N. C., July 11 .- After evading arrest for four years, "Ed" Harmon, known as the "king of North Carolina moonshiners," was fatally shot by revenue officers today. He held six officers at bay for four fours, wounding one, before he was brought down by four bllets.

**U. S. NAVY MEN BOARD U-BOAT** AFTER CLASH Three Visit Deutschland

With Approval of Ambassador Bernstorff

AGENTS HAD BARRED THEM

Germans Anxious to Establish the Status of Visitor as a Merchant Ship

WASHINGTON, July 11. - Great Britain and France will do everything in their power to prevent the United States recognizing the super-submarine Deutschland as a ship of commerce and to prevent the operation of a line of submarine freight carriers proposed by the North German Lloyd Steamship Company. This was admitted at the Embassies of the two Governments

BALTIMORE, July 11 .-- United States naval experts, after a vigorous controversy today, made a detailed examination of the German supersubmarine Deutschland, which made a record-breaking transoceanic trip.

Under instructions from Count von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, Captain Koenig, of the submarine, allowed Captain C. E. Hughes, Lieutenant Commander J. O. Fisher and Naval Constructor H. S. Howard, of the Navy Department, to inspect the vessel. The German agents of the line which owns the Deutschland, headed by Paul Hilken, flatly refused to allow the naval officers to board the ship without permission from Count von Bernstorff, and they kept the experts on shore until the Ambassador, from New York, had advised that the inspection be permitted.

PLAN TO BREAK BLOCKADE Count von Bernstorff's decision ended a serious controversy. The United States officials had notified the Germans that the inspection was their legal duty and that they proposed to proceed with it. The Germans declared that they would allow no one on board the vessel without express permission of the Ambassador. Only prompt communication with Count you Bernstorff prevented a serious altercation.

The Ambassador's decision made it apparent that the German officials are determined to go to almost any lengths to establish the status of the Deutschland as a n "chant ship and thus form the basis for a applomatic fight to break the British-French blockade of German ports,

MOVING SLOWLY. Fearful of the slightest slip in the carefully laid German plan to break the blockade, the German agents moved slowly.

Twenty-two villages, all fortified to the highest degree of which the Germans are capable, have been captured by the Anglo-French armies since the great offensive of the Somme began 10 days ago.

Peronne, lying a bare mile across the Somme front from the French advanced lines, and the next important prize toward which the French are advancing, lies almost within grasp of General Foch's army.

today showed that the village of Biaches, one mile from Peronne, was captured by the French in the same dashing spirit that drove the enemy out of Dompierre, Hardecourt and other strongly fortified points.

# BRITISH FORCES ON ANCRE WIN CONTALMAISON IN SECOND ASSAULT UPON VILLAGE

LONDON, July 11 After a bloody battle, which was marked no less by the violence of the direct at-tacks than by the fury of the counter-assaults of the Germans, the English are again in the shell-ruined village of Cona on the Somme front.

Official announcement of the recapture of Contalmaison was made by the British of Containaison was finded by taken the War Office at noon. The British had previously taken the town, after it had been shattered by surillery fire, but had to give it up. Containaison was first captured on the

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# THE WEATHER

This is the time of the year when the lee dissolves partnership with the refrig-erator just when you want it to stick around. The inhumanity of ice is indicative of the coldness of the world in general, the pessimists say. But ice would not be so in-different if we would watch it and cover it with burdens or such bot days to keen it different if we would watch it and cover it with blankets on such hot days to keep it together. It might seem strange to say that you ought to keep ice warm when it's hot, but if you do, it will become much at-tached to itself and not run away until after the sun goes down. To show that the world lives by contrasts, just notice what a hot job it is for the iceman to deliver his material and then see how cold he can be the same day if you don't have the money for the ice bill. No one is any warmer or colder than they want to be. The weather is.incidental.

### FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Gon-erally fair and modorately warm to-night and Wednesday, with high hu-midity; gentle, southerly winds.

### LOST AND FOUND

FOUND-An easy way to plan a vacation. Se-cure a copy of the fe-page Summer Reapt totale published free by the Public Ledger Gentral or the Main Office.

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The plans as drawn are said to meet the approval of the Mayor, but he has not yet taken final action on them. Until this is done they will not be made public in detail. The building is expected to have a

authorizing future loans for the work.

seating capacity sufficiently large to house any gatherings that may be held in this city. The monster auditorium will be divided into sections, so that halls for either large or small conventions can be accommodated either separately or on the same day. Pending the start of work on the new building the present Convention Hall, at

Dispatches from French headquarters | Broad street and Allegheny avenue, will be used for public gatherings.

> MRS. WELSH'S COUNSEL **ALLOWED FEE OF \$35**

Thomas Ridgway Had Asked for \$10,000-No Increase in Alimony

Thomas Ridgway, attorney for Mrs. Helen Gallatin Welsh in her divorce suit against Charles N. Welsh, Philadelphia clubman, was awarded \$35 today as coun-

sel's fee. He had asked for \$10,000. The award was made in Common Pleas Court No. 3.

The Court said there was nothing to indicate that any difficulty or labor was re-

quired in presenting the libellant's a case. In the suit against her husband Mrs. Weish made a claim for an increase in alimony from \$5000 to \$6000 a month. This was also refused by the court, which ordered that the original payments continue.

which reached here today. With each new defection of troops from the de facto Government standard, the forces of "Pancho"

Villa are strengthened. In some quarters the prediction was made today that in 60 days First Chief Carranza will be overthrown and that Villa will rule Mexico, or, at least, the northern division of it. The State Department at Washington has

been informed of every fresh development in the crisis, and the rapid ascension of Villa, promises to lend a new twish to the diplomatic situation.

MAY HAVE JOINED BANDIT. Méxican official reports, as issued at Juarez, are unusually conservative where theytare not flatly contradictory. The latest report from that side told how 2000 Car-

Continued on Page Two, Column Six BOY'S HEAD BLOWN OFF Eight-Year-Old, of Royalton, Accident-

# ally Discharged Gun

HARRISBURG, Pa., July 11.—Jacob William Seiders, of Royalton, aged 8, was playing with a shotgun at a neighbor's house this morning, and his head was blown off when the weapon was accidentally dis

way near, gave the alarm, but the boy was dead when a physician arrived. U-BOAT TRADER TO BRAZIL

Sister Ship of Deutschland Expected

at Rio Soon RIO DE JANEIRO, July 11.-The State Chancellor has been officially informed that a sister ship to the supersubmarine Deutach-

land is now crossing the Atlantic and will arrive here within ten days, the newspaper Eua today declared.

**Evening Ledger Circulation** (For Six Months)

Daily Average for January . . . 99,214 Daily Average for February . . 104,115 Daily Average for March, 110,721 Daily Average for April . . . 117,310 Daily Average for May, 122,011 Daily Average for June, 125,808

The foregoing figures represent actual net paid circulation of this newspaper, eliminating all returned and free CODIES.

storming the positions on the near bank of the river and sabring stragglers on the heels of the main force.

The Teutons hardly had time to rush across the main bridge at Ugli and save themselves, leaving their guns on the Russians' side of the river. Once across the stream they set fire to the bridge at several "places. Under violent artillery and

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JERSEY PASTOR, GIRL AND GRAY AUTO GONE; POLICE HUNT FOR PAIR

Rev. Louis N. Joslin, Monroeville, and Miss Nettie Lafferty, of Pitman, Missing Since Friday

# WARRANT ISSUED FOR HIM

Police of Camden, Philadelphia and sev eral towns in New Jersey are searching to-day for a Ford touring car, painted gray and bearing New Jersey tag No. 72333, in which the Rev. Louis H. Josiin, pastor of Friendship and Morroevills Methodist Epis-copal churches, near Morroeville, N. J., left home Friday. He has not been seen since. About the same time Miss Nettle Laf-ferty, of Pitman, 21 years old, who had attended the Morroeville Church, also dis-appeared Mrs Iosilio swore out a warment

attended the atomrowine Church, also dis-appeared. Mrs. Joslin swore out a warrant yesterday for her husband's arrest, charg-ing him with desertion and asserting her belief that he had eloped with the pretty her of his church

SHE WAS MEMBER OF CHURCH. Miss Lafferty had been a member of Friendship Church during the two years Mr. Joalin had charge. They met for the first time when the pastor officiated at her brother's funeral. Mrs. Joalin was also

there at the time. Later the girl visited the pastor's home, attending members of the minister's family while they were sick. Mrs. Josiin said today she thought nothing of the unusual friendliness of her husband and the girl at that time, but now realizes "what was going on.

SHE WAS BOOKKEEPER.

Miss Lafferty had boarded in Pitman for nearly two years. For the last six months she has been a bookkeeper for Charles Reilly, a milk dealer in Pitman. Before that she kopt books for the Park Tea Room that she kept books for the Park Tea Room in Pitman. She first appeared in Pitman with Joslin and his family. She was taken to a boarding house conducted by Mrs. W. D. Rodgers, at 52 Caston street. Pitman, and introduced there. Nothing in the girl's manner aroused sus-picion of Pitman women. Mrs. Rodgers re-fused to believe her boarder went away with the minister. There was not the least sus-picion of any extraordinary frienrahlp be-tween the two. Miss Lafferty is dark, with a thin figure and a studious expression. She was not of a type to attract attention. Fitman knew her as a quiet young woman who kept much to herself and apoke seldom of her attalra.

her affairs. On Friday she told Mrs. Rodgers she was going to Vineland, N. J. to san a physician

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MAYOR SIGNS IMPROVEMENT BILLS

Mayor Smith today signed the bill appropriating \$10,000,000 for port improvements, two authorization bills specifying the work for which this money is to be spent by the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries and the bill appropriating \$500,000 from the general loan for improvement of the city's water supply. Other bills signed by the Mayor appropriate \$3,300,000 for condemning railroad property in South Philadelphia for port improvements and \$3,460,000 for the construction of a free library building at 19th street and the Parkway.

GOAT MEAT SOLD FOR MUTTON, STATE OFFICIALS SAY

Philadelphia dealers have been selling goat meat for mutton and have gotten hemselves into trouble, according to word received here today from the headquarters of the Food and Dairy Division at Harrisburg. Investigations have been made all over the State and 50 arrests will be made. A large number of these will be in Philadelphia. Other accusations are that dealers have been selling ketchup made from tomatoes not in good condition, lard that does not contain fat of pork and soft drinks that are adulterated.

# FRANKFORD ARSENAL SEA WALL TO BE FINISHED

The work of repairing the sea wall at the Frankford Arsenal along the Frankford Creek will now be pushed to completion, Secretary of War Baker today having sent an additional estimate to Congress for the arsenal, in which he recommended \$23,400 for the repair of the wall. The work was begun some time ago, but lack of funds caused a temporary suspension

# P. R. R. FUMIGATES CARS TO CHECK INFANT PLAGUE

A step to guard against the spread of infantile paralysis has been taken by the Pennsylvania Railroad. The company has ordered the thorough fumigation of all passenger cars operated in and out of New York city. As long as the epidemic continues in New York all cars used on picnic or excursion trains will be cleansed and fumigated before being returned to the passenger service. The order issued by the railroad officials calls for the fumigation at least once a day of all passenger and baggage cars used in the service between New York and Philadelphia, in so far as practicable. Similar arrangements will apply to trains operated in and out of Jersey City.

## RUSSIANS SINK GERMAN SHIP LADEN WITH ORE

PETROGRAD, July 11 .- An official statement says that "one of our submarines in the Baltic, in the course of its usual cruise, sank a large German steamship loaded

# TROOPS OF FOUR ALLIES TO MARCH IN PARIS

PARIS, July 11 .--- With the progress of the offensive Paris has become gayer than at any moment since the beginning of the war. A notable change has taken place in the last few days. The official parade of July 14 will illustrate the new spirit. On that day, following the ceremony at the Invalides, French, English, Russian and Helgian troops from the front will march down the Champs Elysees through the boulevards, thus permitting the first patriotic demonstration of the war.

## FIVE PLANES, TWO BALLOONS LOST TO ALLIES

BERLIN, July 11 .- An official statement issued last night says: "Our aviators shot down five enemy aeroplanes, one near Nicuport, two near Cambrai, two near Bapaume, and two captive balloons, one on the Somme and the other on the Mause. Senior Lieutenants Waiz and Gerliet have put out of action their fourth opponent, Ideutenant Lefler his fifth and Lieutenant Parschau his eighth. The Emperor has bestowed upon the last named the Order Pour lé Merite."

# MORGAN TO TAKE BULK OF NEW FRENCH LOAN

LONDON, July 11 .- Reports have reached London that Morgan, the Guarantyst Company and Lee Higginson are prepared to carry the bulk of the new uch toan in the United States.

Capaitn Koenig, of the Deutschland, had already announced his intention of allowing Captain Hughes to make any "official" examination, but the agents of the line later called the skipper of the craft to their office for a conference.

"There is something of a question in my mind," said Hilken as the conference began, "as to the right of an American naval officer to make an inspection of our vessel. We will object to no proper inspection and we are anxious to comply with every formality. We want to be sure that everything is legal. But we must be certain that the law demands this inspection."

Count von Bernstorff will visit the submarine at once, it was stated at the German Consulate.

Officials of the Deutsche Ozean-Rhederel, owners of the submarine, said that the Ambassador had notified them that he wished to visit the ship and talk with Captain Paul Koenig. The visit of Count von Bernstorff is expected to make clear the diplomatic contentions which Germany will press if it can be established to the satisfaction of the United States that the Deutschland is a merchant vessel and entitled to all of the phivileges of a trader.

DISPATCHES FROM BERLIN.

There was much speculation as to the nature of the dispatches brought from Germany by the Deutschland, and delivered directly to Counselor Haniel von Halmhausen, who hurried them to Ambassador von Bernstorff. Some of these dispatches undoubtedly bear upon the German diplomatic contentions as to the

Deutschland. The German interests centred all their efforts on the task of establishing the merchant status of the new ship. Encouraged by the customs officials and the Treasury Department of their contention, they prepared to convince the State Department that the submarine can in no way be classed as a warship. On this contention is based the whole

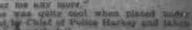
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WEALTHY MAN SLAIN BY HIS YOUNG WIFE

She Says After Firing Fifth Shot

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'He Won't Bother Me Any More,"



with iron ore in the Gulf of Bothnia."