Negotiations Between Washington and Copenhagen Virtually Closed

OF STRATEGIC VALUE

What U. S. Gains and Loses by Agreement With Danes

THE United States acquires full Thomas, St. John and St. Croix, covering 142 square miles, the natural harbor and ideal site for a naval base at Charlotte Amalic and St. Thomas, port of call for all Eu-ropean trade bound to the West Indies, Central America and nor-

thern South America. thern South America.

Denmark receives \$25,000,000 and all American rights of discovery in Greenland, opening up to the Danish crown domain over 827,275 square miles of territory which is covered principally by glacier formations.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Negotiations for the purchase of the Danish West Indies by the United States probably will be closed today. Consideration is approximately \$35,000,-600, it was stated officially at the White

The negotiations have been carried on by the State Department and the Danish Foreign Office.

The treaty probably will be signed today and submitted at once to the United States and the Danish Parliament for approval.

The islands are of tremendous strategic value to the United States. Their acquisition will eliminate danger of any European

Power acquiring them and establishing a naval base near the Fanama Canal. The Islands, once a source of considerable revenue to Denmark, have in the last few years become a liability, it is said, with no available markets for the native prod-The United States, as a part of the deal, "relinquishes any rights of discovery" to certain parts of Greenland, a Danish pos-

ISLANDERS TO VOTE.

It is assumed that the status of the islands of St. Croix, St. Thomas and St. John, should the treaty be ratified, will be similar to that

The new treaty is peculiar, in that it will require action not only by the American Senate and the Danish Rigsdag, but by the Benate and the Danish Righdag, but by the United States House of Representatives as well, since it will be necessary for the House to supply the needed appropriation of \$25,000,000 to defray the expense of pur-

It is understood that the people of the Danish West Indian Islands are to have a Danish West Indian Islands are to have a voice in this question of cession and that the Government has given notice that before it ratifies the treaty it will submit the question to the people of the islands. It is stated further that the people on the islands are much in favor of the transfer to the suzerainty of the United States and that the treaty is so framed that they are not called on to surrender Danish allegiance; they may remain Danes in fact and in name they may remain Danes in fact and in name while enjoying whatever advantages, in a commercial way, may result from a trans-fer of the islands to the United States.

The value of the Danish West Indies to the United States springs from the unusual excellence of the harbors of St. Thomas and Santa Cruz. The possession of these harbors is considered to be of the first strategic importance by American naval authorities. The island of St. Thomas lies in the track of all vessels from Europe to the Panama Canal. The city of Charlotte Amalie, situated on a deep bay, the en-trance to which is narrow, making a splenid natural harbor, is a focal point for he commerce of the West Indies. The nost important German, French and Engish mail companies still maintain coaling stations there.

Since the Civil War showed that the lack a harbor of refuge and a naval base in the West Indies was a great handicap to the United States, the acquisition of the harbor of St. Thomas has been an object of American diplomacy.

In 1902 Secretary of State Hay and Prestdent Roosevelt took up the question, and Denmark offered to sell the islands for \$5,000,000. The House of Lords of the Den-mark Parliament defeated the treaty by one

DANISH UPPER HOUSE OBJECTS. It was the belief of Secretary Hay and of President Roosevelt that German inter-

ests were back of the defeat of the treaty. The opposition of the Danish Conservative aristocrats is now considered the sole cause of the treaty's defeat. In 1907 President Roosevelt sent Maurice

Francis Egan as Minister to Denmark, to attempt the task of changing Danish opinion. President Taft retained Mr. Egan as his representative in Denmark; but Mr. Taft did not strive to purchase the

President Wilson also insisted on Mr. Egan's remaining in Copenhagen. But so long as William J. Bryan was Secretary of State no attempt to purchase the state of the control of the contro e no attempt to purchase the islands

After the departure of Mr. Bryan from the State Department Mr. Wilson began to press the purchase of the Islands. Owing to the tact and personnal charm of Minister Egan, the hostility of the Danish nobility to America and Americans has become warm cordiality. Mr. Egan has gained the affection of Danes of all classes. The Danes no longer fear to intrust their negro subjects to the United States. Neverthelass, the Conservatives still oppose the ces-sion of Dunish territory, and the naval and shipping interests are opposed to the re-linquishment of the West Indian ports.

The present radical ministry looks upon, the sale of the islands from the point of view not of sentiment, but of finance. Since the outbreak of the war the people of Denmark have become rich, but the Government has become poor. Individual Danes have made fortunes because of the rise in shipping shares and because of the huge sums paid by Germany for meat.

At the same time the Government has

At the same time the Government has been pushed to poverty because of the great sums necessary for the maintenance of a telly mobilized army and of Denmark's numerous socialistic institutions. The offer of \$25,000,000 for unproductive colonies, therefore, falls opportunely into a period of stringency in Government finance.

Bines 1774 the trade of Greenland has been a monopoly of the Danish crown, and the west coast and the mouthern east coast. with its scattered Danish settlements, have been possessions of the Danish drown. Secretary Radfield and today:

"Imports into the United States from the Sameh West Indies for the Small year ended June 30, 1815, amounted to \$551,000 and we apports from the United States to \$703.

The the year 1815 the estimated imports into the United States are \$82,809 and exports from this country to the three lands \$922,000."

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CONGRESSMAN ASKS DATA ON GUARD SENT TO BORDER

Gardner Hints at Failure in Call of President.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—With the statement that he understood national guards from only 35 States had been found in fit condition to send to the Mexican border, and that only \$4,000 had been sent south a month ago after President Wilson's order out of a prescribed war strength of 181,000. Congressman Gardner (Mass.) today introduced a resolution satisfue Secretary Baker

Congressman Gardner (Mass.) today Introduced a resolution asking Secretary Baker for the exact figures.

Gardner said he did not count Texas, Arisona and two New Maxico troops because he lacked accurate knowledge.

"The figures I give," said Gardner, "are based on railroad reports giving the number of tickets collected. All of this is an interesting comment on the success attendant on the so-called federalization of the National Guard.

"I believe it is a fact also that guard

"I believe it is a fact also that guard companies have been accepted into United States service, although they fell decidedly short of the minimum peace strength pre-scribed by the President."

ALLIES SURE TO WIN, FRENCH AIRMAN TOLD BERLIN PEOPLE

Text of Proclamation Dropped by Flyer Published

PARIS, July 25.—Part of the text of the proclamation thrown down upon Berlin by Sublicutenant A. Marchal, the French military aviator, on his filght across Germany was made public today. After recounting the causes of the war and making the declaration that the Allies are bound to win, the proclamation continues:

"By the wholesale massacre of innocent "By the wholesale massacre of innocent

women and children and by her brutal meth-ods of warfare Germany has allenated the sympathies of neutrals and the number of ner enemies is growing daily,
"The Allies are firmly resolved to go on
until the utmost limit is reached. You are

fighting for your steel kings, your squire-archy, your land grabbers. We are fight-ing for the liberty of all against the tyr-anny of military caste.

"We desire to punish the guilty. We wish to make a repetition of the present carnage impossible, and that object will be attained if in Germany the people, at the end, pos-sess the right to decide questions of war and peace for themselves."

PUTS \$1000 IN OIL WELL; IT SANK Investor Has Promoter Arrested After Savings Disappear in Venture

H. Neison Rider, of Pittsburgh, had visions of great wealth. They were only temporary. He says the individual who painted a word picture for him, showing him how he could amass a great fortune by taking a slight sojourn into the oil fields of his home State was no less a personage that Emmett Queen, 51 years old, of Pittsburgh, whom he has known since he was Queen, who looks the part of a successful

business man, was brought before Magis-trate Mecleary, at the Central station this morning to answer the charge of having swindled Rider out of \$1000. Rider says Queen told him on May 4 in a Pittsburgh hotel that he wanted to show his apprecia-tion of a life long friendship by letting him n on a deal which would give him a \$10,000 nterest in four oil wells at East Brady, Pa. Rider says he gave up \$1000. He said

he knew Queen to be a man of great means at one time but only recently learned that while he didn't have the oil in the wells he had plenty in his line of conversational inducement. Queen was arrested at Green's Hotel, today and Magistrate Mecleary turned him over to Constable Murray Edlas,

VILE NOT POISON VICTIM

Coroner Finds Excursionist Died From Coal Tar Product, Probably for Headache

Charles Vile, 2620 South 12th street, who died last Sunday after being removed from the excursion steamer. President, at Delaware City, did not meet with foul play, according to Coroner's Physician John Remig
and Police Surgeon John Wanamaker. 3d.
who performed an autopsy today. According
the excursion steamer, President, at Delaalong shipments to fill the orders with the
result that the goods originally shipped
were not accepted by the consigness because
of the delay. The loss to Americans from
this source is said to be great and various o the physicians there was evidence to show that he had taken a small overdose of some coal tar product. This might have been swallowed as a headache cure.

Members of the Vile family stated that he had been suffering from the heat previous to the trip down the river, and it is thought that he might easily have taken an overdose of some headache medicine. According to physicians, there was no evidence of an

McCLURE HELD UP BY BRITAIN Publisher, It Is Expected, Will Be Al-

lowed to Land LONDON, July 25 .- S. S. McClure, the LONDON, July 28.—S. S. McClure, the American publisher, has been held up by the British authorities at Liverpool. He arrived there on board the American liner Philadelphia, but was informed by the officials that for the present he would not be

Mr. McClure remains on board the liner pending the result of official inquiries now inder way, but it was reported today that ald be allowed to come ashore within a few hours.

allowed to land.

BRESLAU ELUDES RUSSIANS German-Turkish Cruiser Breaks

Through Cordon in Black Sea

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 25 .- An offifal communication says:
"The cruiser Midullu (formerly the Ger-

nan cruiser Breslau) encountered south of Sebastopol on Saturday strong hostile naval forces, including a new Russian man-of-war of the Imperatritsa Maria type (the Imperatritisa Maria is a battleship of 22,500 tons) and four new destroyers, which tried to cut her off. After an engagement of four hours the Midullu broke through their nent and returned undamaged."

Elkton Marriage Licenses

TON. Md., July 25.—The following marriage Heanses were issued today by Clerk Peacock, of the Circuit Court, for Cecil County: John Mulholland and Mary E. Haldeman, Emil Henry Schwank and Marie Cehr, Ormond H. Rauer and Sadle Carmilia, Philip Gallaher and Emma L. Hering, all of Philadelphia; Joseph Conk and Aima Gibbona, Chaster; Oscar J. Jones and Eleanor Hoopes, Wilmington, Del.

That was the robber in the nouse and the ghost in the yarn. When the crowd down below heard about it, they set up a howl, and Bellen withdrew his head.

Bair Building Mortgaged

A mortgage of \$200,000 on the Bair Building, at 1818-20 Chestnut street, given by Oliver H. Bair to the Girard Trust Company, has been recorded. Elkton Marriage Licenses



THE BABES OUT OF THE WOOD Ferdinand—There's that Russian bear loose again! The Sultan— And he's bigger than ever!

ENGLAND VIOLATES MANY TRADE PACTS, U. S. OFFICIALS ASSERT

Blacklist of American Firms Culmination of Long Series of Breaking of Agreements, They Say

NO RIGHT TO DICTATE

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Nearly every existing trade treaty between Great Brit-ain and the United States has been vio-lated by that nation in her assaults upon American commercial rights which has culminated in the creation of a blacklist of more than 80 American business concerns and business men. State Department officials made this plain today in reject-ing the suggestions contained in the cable messages from London that England has a right to say who her subjects shall and

shall not trade with.

Careful study of treaties between Great
Britain and the United States which might bear on the blacklisting of American firms was the only official step taken today. Presi-dent Wilson and his Cabinet went into the matter, and after the meeting was over it was stated officially no conclusion had been reached as to the policy of this Gov-ernment. Counselor Polk, of the State Deartment, laid a mass of data before the

It is now plain that the extreme seriousness of the situation is not realized in London. The series of inquiries addressed to the Foreign Office on behalf of the United States by Ambassador Page there have gone unanswered. And, according to the statements made to the department here by the British Ambassador, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, he has yet been unable to get any complete information as to the scope of the British movement.

One of the most serious charges yet made

asserts that the British detention methods have been utilized to the limit to aid British exporters. Under the guise of "ascertaining ownership" large consignments of goods sent to neutral nations have been held up in ships detained in British territorial waters. It now is alleged that in many cases while these were held for investigation British merchants in similar lines sent along shipments to fill the orders with the result that the goods originally shipped were not accepted by the consigness because firms which have made complaints to this effect have been directed to send along all data available to be incorporated in the coming protest.

Meanwhile this Government will continue to press for action on the mail hold-ups at both London and Paris. The mail detention is a vital part of the general British protest and this Government has all along insisted that in no circumstances will it consent to any recognition of the rights of belligerents to divert mail carrying vessels into their territorial waters and then insist that they have the right of examination and con-

WHOLE BLOCK GETS EXCITED OVER BLACK FELINE "BURGLAR" Hundreds in Uproar at Calls of "Robber"

The 1500 block of North 13th street was thrown into a clamor at 11:30 o'clock last night when Harry Bellen, who lives at 1521, put his head out of the third story window of his home and yelled "Murder!"

There was a dance in progress across the street, and about 100 pleasure seekers with as many of Bellen's neighbors rushed

into the street. Somehody sent word to the 12th district police station, at 1429 North 8th street, that terrible things were happening, and Sergeant Ashton sent out a patrol wagon full of patrolmen.

Meantime, Bellen was keeping up the fuss-"Murder! Police! Robbers!" The po-lice threw a cordon around the house, and called to Bellen to come down. But he and his family were locked in the third-story front room and would not budge. A policeman broke in the front door and started to ascend the stairs. He struck a match, when suddenly he heard a familiar sound: "M-e-o-w—r-r-r-r." And a big black cat jumped off a chair on the landing and

acurried by him.

That was the robber in the house and

SUSPICIOUS SHACKLE ON HIS KNEE CAUSE OF ARREST; ONLY A BRACELET

'Ho! Officer, Arrest This Man," Neighborhood Cry-Negro Culprit Merely Saw a Quack Doctor, Who Advised Band

Word that an escaped convict was paying a social call in the neighborhood of id and Pederal streets greatly agitated the police. It was whispered that he was a desparate character. Some one was an iron shackle on his knee. It was rumored that this once held a chain to which had been attached an iron ball that detained the convict in Joliet. But he filed the thain, expressed his contempt for the jail generally and vaulted the wall without asking by your leave, so the stery rea.

Policeman Whartonby got on the dangerone man's trail and found that he was a
nearce. He was in the act of leaving a
house backward at Kenlikouth and Federal
affects when the cop arrived. The prisoner
said he was Charlie Johnson.

Pulling up one leg of Johnson's trousers, the cop saw the shackle and took him before Magistrate Imber.

Johnson denied that he escaped from any He admitted that he was in the Culdwell jail near Newark, N. J. but left under "gratuitous oc-operashun." "I had a kink in my knee," he said, "and the doctor entroied my ankle wif a shackle. He attached two cords to de shackle and deso cords did suttingly reach to ma shouldan, by which generous suspenshun my anatomy was kept from runnin abaht."

Pending Jurther investigation Johnson



ITALIANS GET MOUNTAIN | DU PONT STOCK SALE 7103 FEET IN HEIGHT

Loftiest Peak in Northern Apennines Captured, Rome War Office Says

ROME, July 25. Mount Cimone, the loftlest peak in the northern Apennines, has been captured by Italian troops, it was officially announced today. (Cimone is 7103 feet in height and lies just south of the Austrian border.) The official report follows:

In the Lagarina valley the enemy's artillery fire increased. On the Posina-Astico line at daybreak Monday after a night attack we captured Monte On the Asiago plateau two violent attacks were made against our trenches near Casera and Zebio. The 40th Battalion of the 14th Bersaglieri drove out the enemy, each time inflicting heavy losses, and by the use of the bayonet gained possession of another long line of entrenchments, taking some prisoners and a machine gun. Further north the Alpines renewed their efforts against a steep rock barrier rising 2000 yards between the peaks of Monte Chiesa and Monte Campigollota.

Under machine gun fire they crossed three lines of wire entanglements and succeeded in establishing themselves succeeded in establishing themselves just below the creest. In the Fassa region, notwithstanding the bad weather, we extended our occupation of the Ceremania Valley. On the rest of the front there were artillery duels and bombarding, particularly in the upper Fella and around the heights northwest of Gorizia and San Michele. On Monday hostile air craft bombed places along the lower Isonzo, but the only damage done was the destruction of a farm house.

THREE INDICTED IN PROBE OF VICE CONDITIONS HERE

Continued from Page One gambling still exists in that neighborhood It is said legal action will be taken against the proprietor of an alleged gambling place within a few days. EDITORS TO BE ARRAIGNED.

Another development in the vice situation may come this afternoon when the editors of the Sunday newspaper of which Captain Kenny complained, will be ar-raigned before Magistrate Pennock in Station to answer a charge of criminal libel.

Some habitues of the Tenderloin feel that they have been victimized. These are perthey have been victimized. These are persons who, it is alleged, have paid tribute to certain division leaders. From a man who is familiar with conditions in the Tenderioin it was learned today that payment of various amounts have been made to division workers who, it is said, asserted they could furnish police protection. It is said that many persons who were arrested in the wholesale raids 18 days ago made such payments. made such payments.

The spectacular raid of July 15 was described today in certain quarters as a joke. While the raid was in progress several re-While the raid was in progress several resorts which are patronized by politicians were operating in full blast. A resort where politicians and gamblers assemble on North 11th street, near Green, was one of the piaces which was not molested. The proprietress of this place, who for years has been hoasting of her friendship with certain politicians, was giving a dinner at a Chestnut street restaurant at the time the Gibboney agents and detectives were raiding resorts. Her 11th street house at the time of the raid was crowded with men and women.

READING FAIR STOCK POPULAR \$149,860 Subscribed and \$150,000 More Will Go Quickly

DEFENDED BY GRAHAM

Arguments Begun for Respondents in \$56,000,000 Powder Suit

WILMINGTON, Del., July 25 .- Upon the reassembling of the United States District Court today, George S. Graham, of Philadelphia, began his argument for the respondents, the du Pont Powder Company in the suit over the sale of the \$56,000,000 Coleman du Pont stock of the company to the du Pont Securities Company.

Mr. Graham contended that the opposi-tion of Alfred I. du Pont to the transac-tion had not been shown to be entirely in the interests of the company and its stock-holders. He commented upon the exclusion of the testimony of T. Coleman du Pont in relation to his unwillingness to sell the stock to the du Pont Company, which he assured the Court was his attitude at the time. To have sold it to the company at a critical time and in the circumstances that then prevailed and to have taken the money for the purpose from the treasury, Mr. Graham argued, would have been an act of perfidy, which Mr. du Pont would not have been guilty of.

Mr. Graham disputed the contention of

John G. Johnson for the plaintiffs, that the company had a right, under its charter, to buy the stock and said such an act would have been contrary to law and that no charter could override the law. Decisions, he said, showed that when companies deal in their own stock it must be for legitimate corporate purposes alone. He denied there had been any "merciless use of their power" by Pierre S. du Pont and his associates in the matter, as had been charged by Mr.

The only exercise of power was by the stockholders in dropping Alfred I, du Pont from the directorate and that was an expression of favor for and confidence in Pierre S. du Pont, he said.

NEGRO HELD AS HOTEL THIEF Wife Wore Pin and He Pawned Jewels Said to Be Missing

Charles Henderson, a negro, 20 years old, was said to await the action of the Atlantic City authorities, by Magistrate Mccleary, at the central station today, on sus-picion of having stolen jewelry from the apartments of Samuel Heinstein, proprietor of a hotel at Atlantic City, on July 13. Henderson was arrested yesterday while trying to pawn a pin in a loan office at 15th and Market streets. He had previously pawned three diamond studs belonging to Heinstein at the same loan office. Nettie Henderson, the prisoner's wife, was also arrested as she was wearing a pin

which had also been stolen from Heinstein It was shown that the wife had no knowl edge that the jewelry was stolen and she 11,000 Tax Bills Mailed on Main Line

William B. Francis, treasurer of Lower Merion township, and his two assistants have just completed their biggest annual jobs—mailing out 11,000 tax bills to resi-dents of the Main Line section.

ANGLO-FRENCH FORGE AHEAD ON SOMME

n Paris, which is only 75 miles from the ne of action

Since the battle of the Somme opened on July 1 29,223 Germans have been captured by the Allies.

These figures are contained in an official sued today.

In addition to prisoners the Allies have taken 140 guns, about 40 trench mortars and several hundred machine guns. In its official report on the latest operaoffice announced today that the Germans, after being reinforced, attacked the right flank and also delivered two assaults against the British center. These attacks vere stopped.

The prisoners taken by the British cluded two battalion commanders and the booty included two machine guns. The text of the War Office report foi-

During the last few days the enemy brought up reinforcements of men and guns to the Somme front. Yesterday the hostile bombardment, which was continuous, at times reached extreme violence. An attempted attack against our right flank in the afternoon was frustrated by our artillery fire. In the night two attacks, preceded by vary heavy artillery fire, were delivered against our center, but both were against our center, but both were stopped by our concentrated gun and rifle fire. At no place did the Germans succeed in reaching the British trenches. Their casualities in these fruitless attacks were severe. On other parts of the front there has been much benefit faither. much hand-to-hand fighting. Our in-fantrymen worked their way forward in places north of Pozieres, the greater part of which is now in our possession The enemy continues to offer strong opposition here. Also we gained ground, capturing two machine guns and prisoners, including two battalion

FRENCH TROOPS OCCUPY TRENCHES NEAR ESTREES: HALT COUNTER-ATTACKS

PARIS, July 25 .- Another advance of Fremsh troops was reported in today's of-ficial statement. They carried "strongly fortified blockhouses" south of Estrees and ejected the Germans from trenches they occupled nearby. Counter-attacks elsewhere along the French front by the Germans were repulsed.

North of Varmondovillers the Germans

were thrown out of some trenches they had On the left bank of the Meuse, a German grenade atacks against Hill 304 was checked by machine-gun fire. In Alsace the Germans made an unsuc-

cessful attack following extensive artillery preparation, north of Altkirch. The communique also revealed French air squadron raids on Pierrepont and Longuyen Railroad stations and Mangiesse bivouac. The text of the official communique fol-

South of the Somme we captured late yesterday south of Estrees a group of houses strongly fortified by the enemy. In the course of a small attack our troops drove the Germans out of some trenches north of Vermandovillers. Between the Oise and the Aisne we dispersed with rifle fire several reconnoitering parties which attempted to reach our lines in the sector of Tracy-

On the left bank of the Meuse a grenade attack by the enemy in the di-rection of Hill 304 was checked by our machine-gun fire. On the right bank the bombardment

was violent in all the region between Fleury and Laufee. In Alsace, following an artillery preparation, the Germans launched an at-tack against our positions in the direction of Balzschwiller, northwest of Altkirch. After a violent combat the enemy was driven out of some trench elements in which he had gained a

On July 22 Sublicutenant Nungesser brought down his 10th German aero-plane. On the night of July 24 one of our air squadrons bombarded railway stations at Pierrepont and Longueyon and Camps near Mangiennes.

TENSE HEAT CONTINUES DESPITE WASHING RAIN

Damage in Many Sections From Downpour-No Relief in Sight

No relief from the sweltering heat and tense humidity is in sight for another day at least, despite the fact that the showers which struck Philadelphia early today in some parts of the city took the form of a miniature cloudburst. Certain sections of Manayunk suffered the

worst from rain. It delayed traffic, de-railed trolley cars, lifted manhole covers and gave an up-to-date exhibition of small Panama Canal slides. The rain washed down several ton of dirt on kidge avenue near Schoolhouse lane, where it went nearly two feet deep, tying

up the traffic in both directions. On Main street, the water at one time this morning not only was two feet deep, but it derailed a north-bound electric car and delayed traf-fic for nearly one hour. The water carried away heavy cobble stones, and broke a sewer at Dawson and Main streets.

The temperature today probably will "stick" at about 75 or 78, and the humidity about 90.

One heat prostration was recorded in the last 12 hours. William O'Donnell, 61 years old, of 1501 North 10th street, is in a serious condition in St. Joseph's Hospital. He was sitting on the porch of his home last night when he was stricken and fell from the chair.

The unpleasant condition of the weather is due to the unsettled state along the seaboard. It extends about eighty miles inland. Beyond the mountains the weather is normal, fair and comfortable. No relief is in sight while the seacoast conditions remain unchanged. How long this will prevail is still on the knees of the gods.

McClure Wrote Pro-German Articles NEW YORK, July 25.—Friends of S. S. McClure expressed no surprise today when informed of the news that he had been held up at Liverpool. He was recently in Germany, and subsequently wrote several articles of a pro-German nature. He sailed on the Philadelphia alone on July 15, intending to visit England.

"WHERE DID YOU GET THE WALL PAPER?" CRY AS STRANGER PRODUCES \$1000 BILL

"Come On, Dig Out a Nickel," Lunchroom Clerk Tells Austrian When He Tenders Big Note in Payment for a Cup of Coffee

There were more than \$1300 in the pocket of Julius Praykatis today when he landed in Broad Street Station, yet he couldn't buy a cup of coffee.

He unwound a \$1000 bill after swallowing a cup of Java in a restaurant near Broad Street Station and tossed it before an astonished cashier.

READING, Pa., July 25.—At a meeting of boosters of the Reading Fair Company here today reports showed that \$149.860 worth of stock had been sold to date, of which \$134.000 has been paid into the treasury in cash.

It is expected that the remainder of the 1150.000 worth of stock will be sold next the was trying to say was this: "Pm an 1150.000 worth of stock will be sold next week. The new \$445.900 grandstand at the news trying to say was this: "Pm an Austrian and this is real, good Austrian money; just as good as yours. Why don't work fair ground is nearly completed.

But he couldn't say that in English. While he was explaining and the cashier was becoming suspicious. Policeman Butler came along. He knew the money was good.

came along. He knew the money was good, and Praykatis was allowed to leave.

The stranger was grateful to the cop and shook his hand repeatedly despite the humidity. Butter said he appreciated the sentiment, but urged the foreigner to axpress it by arbitration.

The Austrian was taken to City Hall. The police are endeavoring to find his brother, who lives in this city. Meanwhile arrangements are being made to have his money "translated" into real Uncle Sam coin.

IRISH CRISIS MENACES CABINET; MAY SUBMIT ISSUE TO PUBLIC VOTE

Lloyd George Offers to Resign at Failure to Carry Proposition to Nationalists-Redmond Demands Action

AWAIT PARTY HARMONY

LONDON, July 25,—The coalition Cabinet was endangered today by the Irish ques-

Evidencing the crucial nature of the situ Evidencing the crucial nature of the situation, Premier Asquith today conferred with A. J. Balfour, First Lord of the Admiralty; Conservative Leader Bonar Law, Minister of War Lloyd George and Austin Chamberlain, Secretary of State for India, and later had an audience with the King.

David Lloyd George, Minister of War and originator of the compromise plan for settlement of the Irish problem, was quoted as having offered to resign in view of the failhaving offered to resign in view of the fall-ure of the Cabinet to acquiesce in his pro-posals to the Irish Nationalists. Premier

Asquith was understood to be ready also to step down if Lloyd George retired. Threat to submit the question to a vote of the people in a general election was freely made during the Commons debate. The only hope of averting such a break lay in the chance that the Iriah Nationalists would consent to further negotiations; and with John Redmond, the party's leader, demanding immediate action and his followers hurling charges of breach of faith at the ministry, it was admitted this hope was a faint one. Some London newspapers expressed the

belief that if the break came and a general election were called, it would result in sup-port of the Cabinet's course, the Nationalists having lost confidence of many Irish-men through their willingness to treat in a compromise plan. Such a victory for the Cabinet would, however, it was pointed out, still leave the Irish question suspended.

The situation today was that the Cabinet confessed its purpose not to introduce a nome rule amending bill until there was a

complete agreement among all the Irish parties and appealed to the Nationalists to endeavor to obtain such an agreement. London newspaper editorials took a gloomy view of the crisis. Retention in the Parliament of the Nationalist representatives in undiminished numbers was the main point which pre-vented agreement in the Cabinet on the bill and among the various Irlsh parties.

One other point which gave anxiety was the open threat voiced by John Redmond in the Commons debate that the Irish memin the Commons debate that the Irish members held themselves free to exercise their individual judgment in criticising the Government's course, fot only in domestic affairs, but in the conduct of the war. It was admitted that if the Irish deliberately seek, as this threat indicates, to air British conduct of the war as the feet of the conduct of the second of the conduct of the second of the conduct of the second of th conduct of the war on the floor, they may seriously embarrass British success in the present great offensive.

LOAN TO CHILI PLANNED BY PHILADELPHIA FIRM

Chandler & Co. Negotiating to Make Advance of \$30,000,000 at Six Per Cent

WASHINGTON, July 25 .- V. L. Havens, commercial attache of the American Em-bassy at Santiago, Chili, this afternoon reported to the Department of Commerce that Chandler & Co., Inc., of Philadelphia, were about to close an agreement to loan the Chilian Government \$30,000,000. The loan s to be made at 6 per cent, for railroad onstruction, the report said.

Members of the firm of Chandler & Co. nc., would have nothing to say regarding the loan to Chill. It was said that negotia-tions were pending, but they had not reached definite form. This firm will be the only one to be interested in the loan, it was said. Chandler & Co. Inc., have ans in this many since the beginning of the European war, both of which were for commercial credit on this side, the money being spent

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TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

DEATHS WATSON.—On July 24, 1916, JOHN W. WATSON, aged 63 years. Relatives and friends, also Frankin Lodge. No. 134. F. and A. M. and an analysis of which he was a member are invited to attend the funeral acrices, on Thursday, procisely at 2 p. m. at the residence of his daugnter, Mrs. Ethel F. Cesterman, 2831 W. Hagert st. (24th and Cumberland). Interment private. Autoservice.

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