Manitions Plant Explodes in New Jersey; Dead Number Between 85 and 115; Shakes Eastern Coast







# TELEGRAPH



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GIVES UP HIS

THRONE TO SON

HUNDREDS PERISH

WHEN NEW JERSEY

MUNITIONS PLANT

LETS GO IN NIGHT

Explosions Shake Town and

Country as Far as New

York; Shock Rocks Gotham

Houses, Shatters Windows

TERROR FROM MORGAN

vacuation of Towns Within

Ten Miles of Scene Ordered by Authorities; Red Cross Workers Speed to Relievt

Ry Associated Pres

Perth Amboy, N. J., Oct. 5 .-

With flames raging among the building's where explosions oc-

curred all night long at the

great shell-loading plant of T.

A. Gillespie and Company at

Of the company's 2,000 night

shift employes only 101 had been

and surrounding territory as far

as New York City, where the

shock rocked houses and shat-

tered windows in the business

Whether the 1,900 unaccounted for were dead or merely had fled

it was impossible to determine.

Firemen were fighting the

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districts.

Morgan, N. J., indications at 10

HOUSAND'S FLEE IN

# **GERMANS FIRE TOWNS AS AMERICAN TROOPS** SCORE NEW VICTORY

# Yankees Fighting With Poilus Place Retreating Foe in Dangerous Position

# **ENEMY FIGHTS DESPERATELY IN** VAIN EFFORT TO CHECK ALLIES

## Pennsylvania Troops Play Big Part in Capturing Strongholds Torn From Huns in First Battle

## By Associated Press

French and American troops are smashing into the German positions in Champagne and have forced the enemy to withdraw Soldiers Who Saw Strenuous Service in the Alps to Drill in from valuable ground in the hill country near the Suippe river.

East and west of the Argonne and northwest of Rheims there has been heavy fighting to the advantage of the Allies. On the northern sectors hostilities apparently have quieted down for the moment

## Foe in Dangerous Position

By advancing northward over the heights of Blanc Mont and by advancing northward over the heights of Blanc Mont and Medeah, the French and Americans placed the Germans in the eastern part of the hill country about Moronvilliers in a dangerous position. To prevent being outflanked the enemy retired hur-riedly toward the river Arnes. West of the Suppe the French are moving toward the important height of Moronvilliers. Between the Suppes and Rheims, to the west, the Germans still are in a deep salient and the indications are that they will retire from it altogether now that they have given way on the castern flank. The German position is further endangered by the Aisne canal, which he already has crossed at several points, and has reached the outskirts of Bermemricourt, north of Rheims and has reached the outskirts of Bermemricourt, north of Rheims and to to stay the advance of General Gouraud toward their import ant communication lines. Heavy but futile counterattacks were flung against the Eremeth line south of Mortheie Medeah, the French and Americans placed the Germans in the

ant communication lines. Heavy but futile counterattacks were flung against the French line south of Monthois. East of the forest the Americans are pressing northward into

## the Kriemhild defense system.

## Vigorous Pressure Continued

In the region north of St. Quentin the British and French continue their vigorous pressure. Around Beaurevoir and Le Catelet the British made substantial gains, while near Chardon-Vert the French took an important height. Prisoners taken Friday in this region by the British and French aggregated 1,200.

West of Lille the Germans continue their withdrawal. Allied troops are reported within four miles of this important fortress. While the British advance toward Lille from the west the British and Belgians in Flanders continue to widen the salient east of Ypres further menacing the German position in Flanders and south to the Scarpe. Germany Reorganizes Cabinet

Reorganization of the German cabinet continues. Dr. Solf, the colonial minister, has been made foreign secretary and t Mathias Erzberger, Centrist, and Herr Bauer, Socialist, also have All three

# **UP TO EVERY MAN**

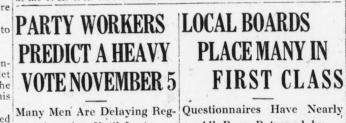
CHAIRMAN DONALD McCORMICK of the Liberty Loan campaign to-day named the largest committee ever appointed in the his-tory of Harrisburg—or, in fact, the history of Pennsylvania. I hereby appoint every main, woman and child in this district his or her own Liberty Loan committee, and I suggest that each of here new committeemen make haste to present the question of bond purchases to himself or herself, and urge immediate action." Appointment of this committee was necessitated through the in-fluenza epidemic which threatens the district. While the campaign will go on as usual, with no change in the arrangements as originally putlined in the Telegraph, the minds of the people have drifted from the Loan to influenza; and it is necessary that every individual in the listrict give personal attention to the matter of his or her Liberty Bond purchases.

# WAR VETERANS TO **BULGARIAN KING** FEATURE RALLY GIVES UP THRONE

Reservoir Park; Every Man, Woman and Child Asked

to Join Largest Committee Ever Appointed

# Thirty-five Alpine veterans of the talian Army, with fourteen veteran uglers from the same army, ar-ve in Harrisburg to-morrow morn-ing at 11.35 o'clock and will be in the dale by the Italians of Har-sburg and Steelton at Reservoir a ark to-morrow afternoon at 3 clock. The meeting is being held **Campaign to Go On** Italian Army, with fourteen veteran buglers from the same army, arrive in Harrisburg to-morrow morn



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EXPECTED BY RAUNICK Little Dissatisfaction Found in Harrisburg Over Drastic

CITY ACCEPTS

**Co-operate Fully** 

KING FERDINAND Court sessions to be discon-tinued for two weeks.

Plans being made to rent and equip, building for emergency hospital. Football game at Harrisburg Academy canceled.

**TO PRINCE BORIS** 

New Ruler Assumes Reins of Office; Error Dims Ferdinand's Popularity

By Associated Press

Copenhagen, Oct. 5.—The official day in the fight by state and city ustrian Correspondence Bureau has health authorities to check the given out a dispatch from Sofia, spread of the epidemic of influenza. ated Friday, stating that King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, abdicated on sicians in the city there were 260

Thursday in favor of Crown Prince Boris. The new king, it is declared, the city health bureau to-day, not in-already has assumed the reins of office.

office.
The abdication of King Ferdinand
was reported in Vienna advices yes-itern are nurses.
Hand and Paris. There seems little
reason to doubt the correctness of the statemen. King Ferdinand's populariy with his people has been waning rapidly since it became ab-erred grievously in pushing the ecountry into war on the side of the reation had indicated that before the armistice with the Entente was sign-ed Ferdinand was trembling for his throne and feared that a revolution might upset the whole dynasty.
Police to Arrest Soldiers Along With Bootleggers Who Are Peddling Liquor
Police is are beginning more strin-

CAN YOU LOOK AT THE LOAN POSTERS WITHOUT WANTING

By Associated Press With the American Army Northwest of Verdun, Oct. 5.– A squadron of five Americans fought a battle this morning with seven German machines in the ergion of Fleville, bringing down one of them. Three German aviators were reported to have been brought down by antialr-craft guns. In the afternoon four others were reported down within the American lines from similar means. The Germans attacked the American observation balloons along the front repeatedly. Anti-aircraft fire drove off most of the enemy planes. The Thursday evening Eddie Rickenbacker brought down two German aleplanes. **GOOD SPIRITS** Schools and Soda Water Fountains Added to Long List of Places Ordered Closed by City and State

FIVE YANKEE

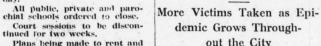
AIRMEN BATTLE

WITH 7 HUNS

AT HOSPITAL

In Harrisburg Over Drastic INFLUENZA IS Rulings; Nearby Boroughs FATAL TO DOCTOR

Resident, physician at Har-risburg Hospital dies; fourteen nurses ill and 260 new cases of influenza reported in city to-



Spanish influenza continues to take its toll of life in Harrisburg and vi-inity. Two deaths have been viout the City

cinity. Two deaths have been re-ported at the Harrisburg hospital County teachers' institute or-dered postponed indefinitely. Soda fountains ordered clos-ed: no ice cream to be sold ex-cept with meals served at restau-rants or hotels, or in boxes to be taken home. during the past twenty-four hours. Ten nurses and the housekeeper are definitely accounted for. The down with the malady, and the first detonations shook Morgan wards are filled with patients. The

All meetings, lodge sessions and other public gatherings or-dered to be postponed,

Hospitals Crowded

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TO FIGHT?

Put Your Energy

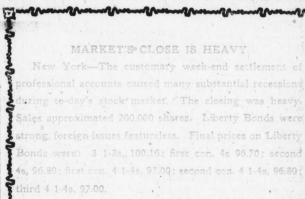
Into W. S. S. or

Liberty Bonds

[Continued on Page 2.] DIES OF INFLUENZA Miss Anna Laura Hoch died of influenza at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Hoch, Second and Paxton streets, Highspire, this morning at 6.30 o'clock. She was aged 26 years. These were the developments to

With reports from only eight phy SALT WATER IS A FINE GARGLE flames, scattered shells were ex-

Use salt water frequently as a gar-gle. Inhalt it Cleanse the mouth and throat with it. Drive away the influenza germ.



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Paris-The forward sweep of the Americans is pu

been given portionos. All three have been known as Moderates. Erzberger was the sponsor of the famous "no-annexation and no-indemnities" resolution passed by the Reichstag in July, 1917, and has been a leading pacifist. In his peace efforts he has had the support of the pasifist elements in Vienna. He has made several trips to Switzerland to further his peace movement. ILLINOIS, Wisconsin, Western Pennsylvania, Virginia and the Argonne forest, advancing all along the line, especially east of the forest, where they reached Fleville. Germans Fire Villages

of the forest, where they reached Fleville. Germans Fire Villages Many villages back of the German lines are reported to be burn-ing. Dispatches indicate these fires were deliberately kindled by the Germans. They probably are evidence that the enemy in-tends to retire farther toward the Kriemhild line, which is the main defensive position west of the Meuse. West of the Argonne, American troops joined the French in the fighting west of Challerange, where Blanc Mont and Medeah farm were taken and the Allies moved northward toward Youzires, an important railroad point through which the enemy moves his supplies for a wide section of the front. Cure to the form to in the etty and therefore the fighting west of the Meuse. West of the Argonne, American troops joined the French in farm were taken and the Allies moved northward toward the fighting west of Challerange, where Blanc Mont and Medeah farm were taken and the Allies moved northward toward the form to in the etty and therefore moves his supplies for a wide section of the front. Charge the mathematican tore the front. Charge the form to the form th

moves his supplies for a wide section of the front. Camp Lee Men in Combat The American troops which yesterday drove back the Germans to the Kriemhild position, south of Forest wood, evidently composed the eightieth and eighty-sixth national army divisions. The former is made up of men from Western Pennsylvania. Virginia and West Virginia, and trained at Camp Lee, and the latter of men from Illinois and Wisconsin and trained at Camp Grant, Ills. The eightieth division was announced as being a unit of the Third Army Corps under Major General Wright. Its commanding officer was Major General Crokhite. It trained with the British in Flanders, but later was withdrawn. The eighty-sixth division has not long been in France and if it were in this fighting it probably was engaging in its first combat. British forces in northern Italy have raided Austrian positions. Austria Asks For Peace Hungary apparently is exerting pressure on the Austrian government to end the war. A delegation of Hungarian leaders has arrived at Vienna for this purpose.

Turkey also is reported to have taken steps which may result in her

withdrawal.

Although the British are reported to have taken steps which may result in her withdrawal. Although the British are reported to be through the Hindenburg sys-tem north and east of St. Quentin, the Germans apparently have succeeded in retarding their advance. Terrific counterattacks have driven the Brit-ish back slightly at some points. British cavairy and tanks are said to be operating in the open country back of the German lines. Fighting in this sector has been of the most desperate character. In the Flanders sector advancing British forces are within six miles of Lille. It is indicated that the enemy intends to construct another defensive line farther east and attempt to stemp the tide of defeat which has set so strongly against them along the northern front. The enemy apparently is abandoning his submarine bases on the Belgian coast, which have been under heavy fire from British warships for the past few days.

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Showers in Middle

of Week Is Prediction

**OI WEEK IS FREDICION** cent. of the registrants whose ques-tionnaries have been returned were predictions for the week beginning Monday, issued by the Weather Bu-reau to-day: North and Middle Atlantic states. Server and Server and Server and Server and Server and Server above normal. Probably a shower inclused for Students' above normal. Probably a shower inclused for Students' period Wednesday or Thursday.

YANKEES FOIL RAID

With the American Army in Lorraine, Oct. 5.—After a forty minute barrage, the Germans last night attempted to raid the American lines east of Gerardmer in Lorraine, with a strong party. The attack was a total failure. The German party comprised sixty men and every member of two reached the American lines was either killed or captured. Five wounded prisoners remain in the hands of the Americans.

Gerardmer is southeast of Epinal and eight miles from the German border opposite Colmar, Alsace.

until a military guard arrived from Camp Colt to-day to return him fo

First Week of Loan

EPIDEMIC GROWING

**Closed by Dr. Royer** For Harrisburg and vicinity: Unvor Harrisburg and vicinity: Un-settled weather, probably show-ers to-night and Sunday; warmer to-night, with lowest temperature about 60 degrees. 'or Enstern Pennsylvanlu: Unset-iled, probably showers to-night and Sunday; warmer to-night; moderate south winds becoming west. Dauphin county whôlesale liquor dealers were to-day peremptorily or-dered to close by Commissioner of Health Royer. It was reported to the Commissioner that some of the stores were keeping open, and when he in-quired whether the sellers had seen the newspapers, they replied that there was "much in the newspapers nowadaxs."

IN PHILADELPHIA

"Well, then close forthwith," was the Commissioners order. And they did. River he main river will rise, except the upper portion will probably begin to fall Sunday. A stage of about 4.8 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Sunday moraing.

General Conditions Pressure is high over the Middle Atlantic count, but is diminish-ing steadly in advance of the extensive cyclone from the Northwest, which now domi-nates the weather over most of the country east of the Rocky Mountains, with its center over Lake Superior. **Drive Yields Billion** By Associated Press Washington, Oct. 5.—One billion dollars has been subscribed to the Fourth Liberty Loan. This is a sixty of the total in the first week of the three weeks' campaign. Offi-cial znorts to doy showed total with

cial reports to-day showed total sub scriptions as \$957,125,000, represent Temperature: 8 a. m., 52. River Stage: 4.3 feet above low-water mark. ing sales up to last night and officials said unreported sales would raise the total above the billion mark.

water mark. Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 67. Lowest temperature, 45. Mean temperature, 50.

A thin fire wastes coal

the fire pot full

Fuel Committee Chamber of Comm.

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THE WEATHER between Brieulles and the Meuse

> American troops attacked again this mor al villages have been taken

AUTO PLUNGES OFF BRIDGE: 4 DEAD Barre, Vt.-When their automobile plunged off a ridge and overturned in a brook near North Randolph, 5 miles south of this city, late last night, four people were drowned and two were rescued. The accident is said to have been due to faulty steering gear which caused the machine to swerve through the railing and off the edge of the bridge.



Fort Worth, Texas - Three aviation lieutenants were with injured about noon to-day when two d near Kellar. The dead are: Theodore Marrs, of Washington, D. C.; Roy J. McNaught, of Oheida, Ill ;; Frank H. Smith, of Easley, S. C.

MARRIAGE LICENSES an Hurrisburg; Journel Deunger E. Smith, Steelton. Hurrisburg;

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By Associated Press Philadelphia, Oct. 5.—There is no abatement in the epidemic of influ-enza in this city. At noon the re-port, for the preceding twenty-four hours showed 1,480 new cases, an in-crease of 742 over yesterday's re-port. UTAH REPUBLICANS "DRY" Salt Lake City, Oct. 5.—Approval of nation-wide prohibition and of the federal woman sufrage amend-ment were included in the platform of the Republicans of Utah, adopted at the state convention. The plat-form also denounced efforts of the Democratic party to place partisan-ship above particitism, making pa-ritotism and lovalty party issues. Yederalization of industries, except as a necessary military measure, was disapproved.

cent. have been returned. City Board No. 1 rep City Board No. 1 reported that slightly more than thirty-one per cent of the registrants whose ques-