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"We are fighting for a worthy purpose, and we shall not lay down our arms until that purpose has been fully achieved."--H. M. The King. TO THE PEOPLE OF THE EMPIRE-Every fighting unit we can send to the front means one step nearer peace.

## ITALY ON THE BRINK?

Conflicting reports were received dition to this Great Britain has to terday regarding the probable at-tailed of Italy. One which gained clr so it can be seen that the Empire is lation during the afternoon stated bearing its full share in this war of hat Austria had yielded to all de- the worlds ands and that the Italian govern-

Of course the chief of these opera tions is in Belgium and Northern France, and were it not for the colos sal nature of the campaign there

nirers do not claim for him the cool, calm discernment possessed by Mr. Nilson. A clear head and steady hand Wilson. A clear head and steady name at the helm of the American ship of state is needed in the present crisis and Mr. Wilson supplies these quali-ties whatever he may lack in so-called "red-bloodedness." Instead of being a pity it is rather a matter of thankfulhess that Mr. Roosevelt is not presi-dent of the United States today for while Mr. Wilson may be deliberate in reaching his decision there will be general confidence that he will act visely and in a manner befitting the lignity of the American people.

The notice which the Herald serve n German-Americans is certainly mely; the only wonder is that some

such expression had not been made before. Men like Bernstorff, Dern-berg, Ridder and their followers have it in their power to create much tro

ble in a country where the sympathies of the people are divided as is the case of the United States toward the nations engaged in war. In the light of the Lusitania horror there can be,

sia against the Turks, and in Egyp

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German-Americans, the Herald says: "The hyphen was submarined with the Lusitania. Henceforth there can be but one class of AM-ERICAN-Americans. "The Herald believes that a very large percentage of natural-ized citizens of German birth or descent refuse to sympathize with the crime against the coun-try of their adoption. It believes that a comparatively small num-ber are making the ribald and heartless noise of acclaim over war. To Americans today the tragedy pre-sents grave possibilities in our inter-national relations. Regarded from the standpoint of international law the sinking of the Falaba with the in-tidential death of an American citizen <text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text>

Little Benny's Dote Book.

By LEE PAPE

By LEE PAPE I went erround to the tailers to get pops pants today, and wen I caim hoam with them they was awi mussed and full of mud stanes. You don't spect me to bleeve by eny stretch of the imaginayshin that thats my trousing yure carrying thare, do you, sed pop. Yes sir, I sed. , Then III give you jest 3 minits to state yure side of the case befoar 1 decide agenst you, sed pop, quick, how did it happin. Well, I was kuming hoam with them, I sed, and I passed sum of the fellos, and you no Skinny Martins bruthir Al, don't you? No, I can't say he is numbired in my serkil of acquaintances, sed pop. Well, enyhow, I sed, his less is lawngir than wat Skinnys is, even, so his fathir is going to get him a pare of lawng pants to ware awn Sundays. Very intristing, Im sure, sed pop, I bleeve III rite to the society editors about it.

about R. They dont care how his legs look awn week days, I sed. Yure 3 minits are pritty neerly up, sed pop. So sum of the fellos wuntid to see how he wood look in lawing pants, I sed, and they asked me to let him put yures on and I sed, No, they was jest pressed, I sed, and they kepp awn coaxing me and I kepp awn saying No and they how how awn coaxing me and I kepp awn saying No and

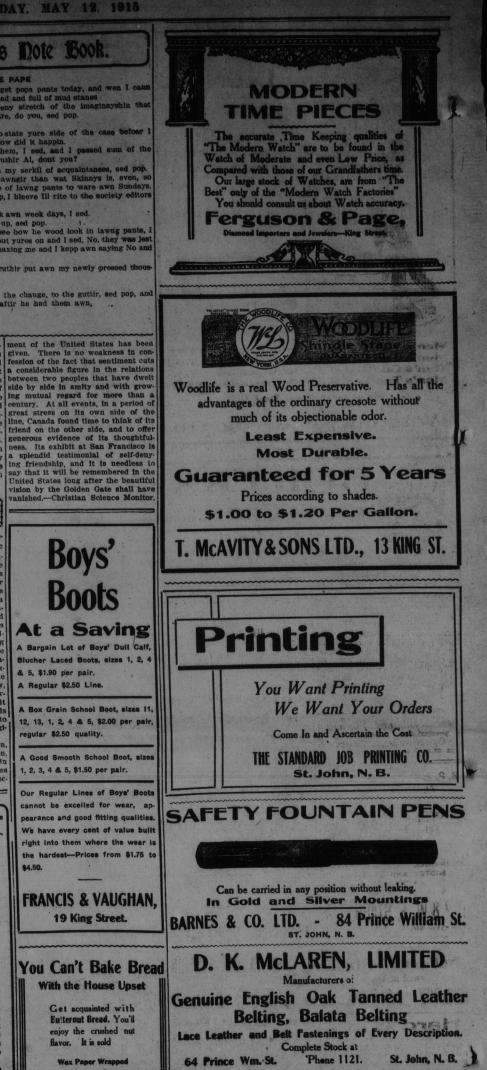
they kepp awn coaxing me. irs.

And you let that skinny boys bruthir put awn my newly pressed tho did you's sed pop. Yes sir, I sed. And ware did he retire to make the change, to the guttir, sed pop, a ed, No sir, we pushed him thare aftir he had them awn, ... Follo me, sed pop. Wich I did.

mands and that the Italian govern-ment was satisfied with the conces-sions made. Later advices, however, did not appear to encourage the view that Italy would not participate. It was believed that an actual declara-tion of war would be only a matter of a few days while the Cauadian Press correspondent on the Italian frontler was even more pessimistic re-porting a general opinion among the Austrian troops that war would be de clared within a few hours. Italy has made all preparations for war and already has done more toward the molization of her fighting forces

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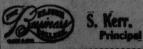
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