



PRICE FIVE CENTS.



Steps Taken to Ameliorate Conditions of Tourists There. LONDON, Aug. 3 .- A meeting of up

ward of a thousand Americans, many

successfully in the rush from conti-

nental cities, was held here this after-

noon, to take steps for the ameliora-

tion of the condition of their fellow

Tonight war officially existed between Austria and Germany on the one side and Russia, Servia and Montenegro on the other. There had been no canceled. official declaration of war between Germany and France on either side, but tonight the German Ambassador in Paris received orders to demand his passports. The most important event in the last 24 hours was Germany's demand upon Belgium, in the form of a 12-hour ultimatum, that the German troops be permitted to cross Belguim to the French frontier, coupled with the promise that Belgian integrity should remain unimpaired at the end of the war and that Beigium should be com pensated. To this Belgium refused to accede on the grounds of her rights and honor.

the general war.

# Sentiment Is For War.

Sir Edward Grey, the British Secretary for Foreign Affairs, made a statement in the House of Commons indicating that Great Britain's interests and obligations could not permit her to submit to the violation of Belgian territory. This practically left the decision as to whether Great Britain limit their ability to purchase crude ofl. should make war to the public opinion.

There is absolutely no doubt that British sentiment is for war. The appeals of the pacificists get no hearing. Not one man in a hundred in London seemingly wants the nation to remain neutral

Germany, through her diplomats, has tried to keep Great Britain out by a virtual offer to refrain from using her navy against France as the price of Great Britain's neutrality.

But the English people clearly are convinced that their honor and vital interests compel them to protect Belgium, France and the other nations which are their closest neighbors.

There is a report tonight that Holland has been invaded through the province of Limburg. The people of the Dutch Kingdom, resolved to go to any extremity, are said to be opening the dykes and flooding the country, which would make the passage of an army PAPER IS NOT FOR PUBLIC impossible.

Great Britain has mobilized her forces and awaits events. Today she is not a belligerent power, nor is she a neutral

The government has given France assurance that the British fleet will not permit the German fleet to attack the French coast. It has not yet pledged itself to contribute an army to the Continental war.

### Germany Is Distrusted

The British government regards with the deepest distrust Germany's destruction of Belgian neutrality, but makes no declaration as to whether it considers that measure provocation for Battle on River Drina With Aus-War.

This pronouncement of government policy, the result of two days' almost continuous deliberation-was made to the House of Commons this afternoon by Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State Bands of Servian volunteers who are for Foreign Affairs. Therefore, the trying hour of suspense for the British people is prolonged indefinitely.

Meanwhile the German Embassy in (Concluded on Page 2.)

in effect on the Texas & Pacific Rall- without a formal declaration. road, it was announced today. The notice says European freight battle was fought yesterday between service out of New Orleans has been

port of New Orleans has been placed

GALVESTON, Tex., Aug. 3 .- Export shipping is virtually at a standstill here as a result of the war situation. day. Only two foreign ships are taking on cargo. There has been no serious congestion of freight.

OIL PURCHASES TO BE CUT

Standard Announces That Conditions Necessitate Reduction.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3 .- The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey today issued the following statement:

"The Standard Oll Company of New Jersey may be compelled, on account of the interruption of foreign commerce resulting from the war situation in Europe, to curtail materially the output of all petroleum products. This sudden loss of market, coupled with large accumulated stocks of finished products now on hand, necessarily will At the moment it is impossible to say to what extent and how long this unfortunate condition will continue."

COAST KEEPS GOLD BASIS

San Francisco Establishes Policy on Pacific for Present.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. \*3 .- At a conference of the banks forming the San Francisco Clearing-House Association, it was decided just before the close of banking hours today that all the members will remain on a gold basis, at least until the arrival of emergency currency from Washington.

This action, it is expected, will determine that of all other banks on the Pacific Coast.

# Chicago Clearing-House Merely or Certificate Basis.

CHICAGO, Aug. 3 .- Chicago banks began today the use of certificates in the clearing-house and put in effect the 60-day notice for the withdrawal of deposits on savings accounts. The plan follows that enforced in New York. There will be no certificates for gen

SERVIANS KILL OWN MEN

eral circulation.

trians Becomes Serious.

VIENNA, Aug. 3 .- The Militaerische Rundschau states that serious fighting is in progress on the river Dring. attempting to cross the river are opposed by Austria-Hungarian frontier guards

The Servians fired on their own river boats, killing and injuring many men.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Aug. 3 .- A Defense of Country Decided On and Leader's Death Overlooked. the German and Russian fleets off the

Aland Island, and resulted in the Rus-BRUSSELS, Aug. 3 .-- At a mass meetsians being driven back. The Russian ing of Socialists held today, it was rewar vessels took refuge in the Gulf of Finland, where they still remained tosolved that they should defend their country and attempt no reprisals for

THE FIRST VICTIM.

SOCIALISTS SHOW LOYALTY

ROME, Aug. 3. - The Pope has or dered Catholics throughout the world to offer prayers in the churches for of Jean Jaures. M. Jaures was Socialist leader in the Chamber of Deputies.

the two countries start automatically

the killing by Raoul Villain last Friday

banking needs and industries As originally proposed by the Senate,

the Government against the new issue

corperve of not less than 5 per

PEYMOLDS

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Washington, Aug. 3 .- The Interstate cent, and that the new notes shall be cent, and that the new notes shall be apportioned geographically. Banks in the Lamb-Davis Lumber Company, of of ward of a thousand Amorthan joined as of whom were those who had joined apportioned geographically. Builts in the New York district, for instance. Leavenworth, Wash, today held as unreasonable the rate of 60 cents a unreasonable the rate of 60 cents a hundred for the transportation of plus. In that way the new circula-plus to be distributed tion is expected to be distributed ritory and from Idaho points, and esthroughout the country, caring for local tablished a rate of 46 cents a hundred. Minerva Anderson was appointed

Fred I. Kent, of the Bankers' Trust postmaster at Ringgold, Wash., vice Company, of New York, who called the Clara I. Hommelgarn, resigned.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU,

meeting, said that his company alone will be sending several million dollars gold to Europe to redeem travelers' "WORST WAR" FORESEEN checks and that other companies were doing likewise. General Nelson A. Miles Says United

countrymen

home.

the war.

drawn by horses

### Relicf Plans Go Ahead.

Theodore Hatzler, of the Fifth-Av-

Oscar Straus, who has just arrived

Government was considering a plan to

Claim Commission Thwarted.

Chandler Anderson, a member of the International Claim Commission, ar-

rived in London from Paris today, He

was warned by the American Embassy

commission was adjourned until after

Mr. Anderson had to leave his bag-

gage behind him because the railway

company would not register it. He

said the City of Paris presented a

strange contrast to the ordinary ani-

mation prevailing there. Most of the

shops were closed. There were no taxis

on the streets and only a few vehicles

What impressed Mr. Anderson most,

however, was the absence of any hos-

tile feeling against the Germans indi-

vidually. They mingle freely with the

No Hostile Feeling Seen.

said he was engaged with the work

send transports to take Americans

States Is Fortunate.

enue Bank, was appointed chairman of NEW YORK, Aug. 3 .- In an address the meeting and committees were NEW TORK, Aug. a.—In an address last night before the Equity Congress of Greater New York, an organization for the uplift of the negro, General Nelson A. Miles characterized the European conflict as "a war which in the history of the human race," and "as unjustified as any I have read of the members of the American Embassy. unjustified as any I have read of here from Paris, said that the United

General Miles told his audience that Americans were fortunate to be "in States Embassy there was working this country, walled in by two great hard to get Americans out of France oceans, in a land filled with prosperity Great enthusiasm prevailed at the Great enthusiasm prevailed at the and peace. French capital, he said, owing to the announcement that the United States

# PACIFIC CARGOES REFUSED

# American Hawaiian Turns Down

San Francisco Trade to Europe.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 3 .- Export cargoes to continental and English ports via New York were refused for the first time today by the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company operatthe Commission at Versailles when he that he had better leave France. He between San Francisco and New acted promptly on this advice and the

According to company officials their refusal to issue bills of lading on ex-port cargoes is to relieve the pressure on shipping facilities out of New York to Europe.

# APPLE BOX RULE CHANGED

# Fruitgrowers' Original Request,

# Modified, Is Allowed.

ington, Aug. 3 .- Sinnott today secured the promise of the Secretary of Agriculture for the modification of the re-cent order requiring shippers to mark weight on apple boxes, against the which the Northwestern Fruitgrowers' Association lodged a protest. The as-sociation desired the order changed to require printed on the box the number f apples it contained. of apples it contained.

The Secretary denied this, but will allow the bushel content instead of the weight to be marked on the box,

# Clapp's Amendment Loses.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2. — Senator Clapp's amendment to the Federal trade commission bill, allowing victims of unfair competition threefold damages, was defeated in the Senate today, 41 to 15.

## Steel Corporation Offers Ships.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—Unofficial in-formation reached here today that the United States Steel Corporation was ready to offer the services of about 30 ships to carry American exports abroad and bring Americans from Europe. The offer is being investigated,

Some 700 Americans registered at the American Embassy in London today. Many of them added to their signatures the note "without sufficient funds," meaning that they were unable to get their checks or notes cashed.

One traveler reported that a party from a girls' school in America was marooned in Austria.

Otis B. Kent, an attorney for the Interstate Commerce Commission, of Washington, .D. C., arr'ved in London today after an exciting journey from St. Peteraburg.

### Russiaus Cleared for Action.

"I had been on a trip to Sweden to see the Midnight Sun. I did not realize the gravity of the situation until (Concluded on Page 3.)

# EUROPEAN WAR

peace.



