

LEIGE, PIERCED, GERMANS GO ON

Enough Forts Shaken to Open Route to Namur.

VICTORY STILL IS DISPUTED

Report, Unconfirmed, Is That French Have Cut Off Enemy's Movements.

REAL TEST IS AWAITED

Liège Viewed as Insignificant, But Indicates Germans' Tactics Inefficient.

LONDON, Aug. 11, 3:40 A. M.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph telegraphs a message from Maastricht that there has been heavy firing along the line between Liège and Longres.

The Germans are placing heavy guns before Liège and Namur.

A Rome dispatch to the Daily Mail says it is reported that the Montenegrins have occupied Scutari.

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Tuesday).—While both combatants claim victory at Liège, military experts here interpret the rather conflicting dispatches to mean that the German forces have broken through the Belgian defenses at Liège, taken the city and started toward Namur, where the next big battle of the seven nations' European war is expected.

That the Liège forts, at least some of them, withstood the German fire, is believed, but it is evident here that two or more of the forts crumbled sufficiently to allow the Germans to pass.

Situation is Unique.
This is taken to mean that the Belgians continue to hold the majority of the fortifications, while the Germans passed on into the city and, after starting and possibly provisioning, started on toward Namur.

The situation is a unique one. There is no confirmation of the Daily Mail's report that the French have engaged the Germans and cut off their movements, inflicting a loss of 8000 men. The Belgians assert that they have taken 8000 prisoners on Belgian soil, but military men regard all the estimates of the belligerents as great exaggerations.

First Week Insignificant.
Apart from Liège, the fighting of the first week, when resolved to the proper perspective, eventually, doubtless, will be considered insignificant. One of the most important developments in the eyes of experts, is the general testimony that the German infantry formation is obsolete and ineffective against modern weapons of today, and means an enormous slaughter if retained.

France and Austria finally officially are at war, the ambassadors having left the respective capitals.

The French government broke off diplomatic relations with Austria on the grounds that Austrian troops were reinforcing the Germans.

Austria to Aid Germany.
Austria appears to have abandoned the advance on Serbia for a time and apparently is co-operating with Germany in the supposed strategy of attempting to crush France before Russia can mobilize.

Financial conditions in England are returning to normal although there is a great dislocation in many trades. The prices of foodstuffs have risen only slightly.

CONSUL SAYS FORTS LOST

New York Belgian Agent Gives Advice From Own Nation.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—Pierre Mall, Belgian Consul at New York, today said that, according to his advices from Belgium, only two of the forts at Liège remain standing today against the German invasion.

These two forts he said would be abandoned and the Belgian soldiers retreat in good order. They would proceed to Namur and join 100,000 French troops.

Namur is strongly fortified and the Consul predicted a great battle there.

GERMANS RAZE SMALL TOWNS

France Invaded Through Esch, Ten Miles Northwest of Luxembourg.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 10. (Via London 1:25 A. M.)—The Germans are proceeding into France chiefly through Esch, a town of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, 19 miles southwest of Luxembourg, where they have cut down trees and dug trenches. They have razed the village of Merle and erected wooden platforms, 400 yards long, for the unloading of horses and guns.

Reports reached here today from many directions of the retreat of the German cavalry before large French forces, which are said already to have cleared considerable territory. The locality of the fighting is not revealed.

BULLETINS

LONDON, Aug. 10, 9:15 A. M.—The Rome correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company says that, according to dispatches from Vienna, the Montenegrins yesterday bombarded the Austrian fortifications of San Teodoro and Cattaro, without, however, inflicting serious damage.

LONDON, Aug. 10, 9:15 A. M.—The Prince of Wales left Buckingham palace this morning to join the battalion of the Grenadier Guards to which he has been assigned. He is to be stationed at the Warley Barracks, Brentwood.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—United States customs officers went out in the revenue cutter Calumet today and sealed up the wireless apparatus of all vessels in the harbor flying the flag of the warring European powers. This action follows the censorship placed on wireless stations along the coast to enforce the neutrality of the United States.

PARIS, Aug. 10.—It is officially announced that the French losses in the fighting at Altkirch do not exceed 100 killed and wounded.

LONDON, Aug. 10, 3:45 P. M.—The North Sea was again closed to the fishing fleets today. The harbormaster at Scarborough received a message from the Admiralty instructing him to tell the masters of fishing vessels not to go out until further notice.

AMSTERDAM, via London, Aug. 10, 12:15 P. M.—A group of 50 German soldiers from Mecklenburg, who were detained after taking refuge on Dutch territory, arrived here today. They are to be interned at Alkmaar till the end of the war.

ROME, Aug. 10, via Paris, Aug. 10, 5:30 A. M.—An Austrian fleet of 13 battleships and 10 torpedo-boats is said to be going at full steam toward the Strait of Otranto, which connects the Adriatic with the Ionian Sea. The probable purpose of the fleet is to give succor to the German cruisers Goeben and Breslau, which have been reported in that vicinity.

PARIS, Aug. 10, via London, 8 P. M.—It was officially announced tonight that France had broken off diplomatic relations with Austria-Hungary. The Austrian ambassador at Vienna has left the Austrian capital and the Austro-Hungarian ambassador at Paris has asked for his passports.

LONDON, Aug. 10, 10:43 P. M.—On moving the adjournment of the House of Commons for a fortnight, Premier Asquith this evening intimated he was hopeful that in the interval he might be able to make proposals regarding Irish home rule which would meet with something like general acquiescence in the solution of the question.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—As a result of the war King George today through Reginald McKenna, the Home Secretary, ordered the release of all militant suffragettes serving terms in prison for breaches of the peace. Mr. McKenna made this announcement in the House of Commons.

LONDON, Aug. 11, 1:40 A. M.—A Brussels dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company says among the German losses in the assault at Liège were Prince William of Lippe and his son, who were killed.

THREAD SHORTAGE LIKELY

Supply of German Material Nearly Exhausted Here, Is Reported.

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 10.—(Special).—Fearing that the capture of Mulhausen, Germany, by the French will cause a scarcity of embroidery thread, local women are purchasing it in large quantities now so that they will have plenty for fancy work for Christmas presents. According to local merchants practically all of the embroidery thread used here is manufactured at Mulhausen.

The supply is diminishing rapidly here, and some have purchased as much as 25 yards at one time. Merchants are sending in orders, hoping to get a supply before the stock of the wholesale houses in this country is exhausted. The Albany Art's Craft has sent orders to 10 different places for five dozen boxes, and expect, from present indications, to receive no more than one dozen from each place.

POLICE STOP WAR FILM

Movie Manager Arrested for Running Franco-Prussian Scenes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 10.—The police closed today a moving picture house and arrested the proprietor on a charge of inciting a riot, because pictures were shown purporting to represent the Franco-Prussian war. Hotel managers throughout the city have ordered their orchestras to play no national or patriotic airs, not even Hungarian dance music. Repeated clashes among offended guests taught the managers that absolute and impartial suppression was the course of wisdom.

'TYPO' INSURGENTS BEATEN

Anti-Administration Forces Lose Battle at Convention.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Aug. 10.—The opening of the annual convention of the International Typographical Union here today was attended by nearly 300 delegates. By a vote of 205 to 71, the anti-administration forces were defeated on their proposition that the delegates, rather than International President James M. Duncan, should appoint members of the committee on appeals.

PRISON STRIPES ABOLISHED

Folsom Penitentiary Board Changes Style of Convict Uniform.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Aug. 10.—Striped uniforms of Folsom penitentiary are to be abolished. This decision has been reached by the prison board directors, although the color of the new material to replace the stripes has not yet been selected.

MONTENEGRINS ARE CHECKED IN BATTLE

Austrian Frontier Post Withstands Attack.

5000 TROUPS TURNED BACK

Defenders Lose 22, While Invaders' Loss Is 200.

RUSSIANS ALSO REPULSED

Vienna Dispatch Says Austrian Reconnoitering Expeditions on Frontier Successful—Serbian Supplies Are Being Cut Off.

VIENNA, Aug. 10, via London.—Five thousand Montenegrins last Saturday advanced against the Austrian frontier post to the east of the fortified town of Trebinje, Herzegovina. The Austrian losses were one officer and 21 men, while the Montenegrins lost 200 men killed.

The Russians have made strenuous efforts to enter Austria, but have been repulsed. The Austrian frontier troops have carried out successfully several reconnoitering expeditions.

The Reichspost says that Serbian supplies from the new Serbian territory are being cut off as the surrounding of the Serbians by the Austrians proceeds.

RUSSIAN BORDER IS OBJECT

Kaiser Masses Troops in Readiness to Engage Czar's Men.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 10.—(Via London, 1:02 P. M.)—The regular troops of the German army, who hitherto had been scattered in small detachments along the frontier, are now concentrating near the Russian border in brigades, composed of two or three regiments each, all in readiness to take the field.

The positions in the border villages have been occupied by units of cavalry and infantry of the German Army Reserve.

No serious encounters occurred yesterday on the frontier, but frequent skirmishes between the outposts are reported. The German military aeroplanes fly daily in the direction of Kovno, capital of the Russian province of the same name, which has an outlet on the Baltic.

Costa Rica Raises Quarantine.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 10.—The quarantine against New Orleans because of bubonic plague, it was announced today, was raised by Costa Rica. No cases have been reported during the past nine days.

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NEWS CENSORSHIP SCORED

Irish Leader Says Censors in Europe Should Be Newspaper Men.

LONDON, Aug. 10 (4:45 P. M.)—T. P. O'Connor, the Irish Nationalist, today in the House of Commons again opened fire on the press censorship established by the British Government. He said that thousands of dollars spent by American newspapers had been wasted in consequence of the censorship, and he suggested that trained newspaper men should be added to the staff of the censorship bureau.

The Right Hon. Charles Hobhouse, speaking in behalf of the British post-office authorities, disclaimed any responsibility for the censorship, over which he said the War Office exercised full and sole control. He said if there was any delay in forwarding messages after they had passed the censor, he was ready to do what he could in the matter.

MRS. LAW JOINS RED CROSS

New York Woman Leaves London to Help French Nurses.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—Mrs. George Law, of New York, left London today by auto bound for Havre. It is her intention to join the French Red Cross.

BELGIANS' APPEAL FOR GRAIN MAY FAIL

American Exporters Inclined to Withdraw Supreme Court Case.

"ASSURANCE" NOT ENOUGH

Liverpool Pleads for Fulfillment of Contracts.

PROTECTION FIRST ISSUE

Dealers' Association Empowers Committee to Act in War Crisis. England Said to Have Assumed Safe Passage of Ships.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—Notwithstanding Belgium and England's appeal for bread, American exporters may ship no more grain to either country for some time, as the result of a lengthy meeting today of the North American Grain Dealers' Association.

A committee of five, to be appointed by the association's president, was empowered to take "such measures as may be necessary to protect the interests of shippers in all matters affected by the present war."

Liverpool Protests Cessation.

Whether shipments of grain should continue on contracts made before the war was the subject of a vigorous protest by the Liverpool Corn Trade Association, which had received reports that further shipments on such contracts would not be made. Liverpool's representatives told the dealers that they had the assurance of bankers that exchange would be nearly normal within a week.

If all American dealers should refuse to ship grain, they said, they would be working against the common good. Nevertheless many of the American dealers felt that unforeseen conditions warranted the cancellation of their contracts made prior to the beginning of hostilities.

Belgium's Appeals Urgent.

Two urgent appeals by cable from the Belgian Minister of War for American grain were transmitted to the association by the Belgian Consul here. In the first dispatch the Belgian Secretary of War requested the Consul to notify the dealers that England assured safe passage of grain-laden vessels across the Atlantic, and that payments for wheat were guaranteed by the Belgian government. The second cable, more imperative in its tone, read in part: "Do make energetic efforts to induce wheat exporters to execute contracts."

John Bassett Moore, ex-Counselor to the State Department and an authority on international law, is reported to have written the second cable.

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BULLETINS

BELFORT, France, Aug. 10.—French surgeons who have been caring for the wounded in the fighting in Lower Alsace report that the French bullets appear to make more serious wounds than those of the German rifles.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—Postal money-order service with Austria was suspended today by the Postoffice Department.

COURT NEWS
LAUGHLIN
V. U.S.
COURT, Oreg., Aug. 10.—Canadian naval officials were uneasy today because the cruiser Halloway has not been heard from since leaving San Francisco last Friday. The boat is equipped with wireless and heretofore has kept in touch with Canadian wireless stations in British Columbia.

LONDON, Aug. 10, 2:10 P. M.—A telegram from Charleroi, Belgium, to the Daily Mail, despatched on Sunday night, says a force of French troops arrived in time to participate in a fine success of General Leman's Belgian division over the German troops investing Liège.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 10.—Directors of the Cotton Association decided today, as the financial position has improved, cotton may be held with the usual ten days allowed for payment, but if any buyer is overdue with an earlier payment he must provide a bank guarantee for the new business.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—Secretary Bryan announced today that he had received acknowledgment of President Wilson's tender of good offices from Austria-Hungary, France, Great Britain and Russia.

PARIS, Aug. 10, 1:47 P. M.—Detaching from the famous Trucos or navy troops from the French colony of Algeria penetrated Upper Alsace today.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 10, via London, 1:25 A. M.—The Germans are proceeding into France chiefly through Esch, a town of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, 19 miles southwest of Luxembourg, where they have cut down trees and dug trenches. They have razed the village of Merle and erected wooden platforms, 400 yards long, for the unloading of horses and guns.

ROME, Aug. 10, via Paris, 5:30 A. M.—Eight Austrian regiments are reported to have crossed Lake Constance, en route for Alsace.

PARIS, Aug. 10, 5:50 A. M.—In the capture of Mulhausen, the French seized a great aeroplane factory operated by a noted German manufacturer. It is announced that the list of German aces in France has been increased by the death of several women, who became despondent because they were under the necessity of leaving the country.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 10.—The French government today asked quotations on 25,000 pockets of Louisiana rice, according to announcement of local dealers.

PARIS, Aug. 10, 10:25 P. M.—The Austrian ambassador, Count Secezen Von Temezier, left Paris tonight.

LONDON, Aug. 10, 5:15 P. M.—The Dutch steamer Alcor of 2000 tons, which was sunk and her crew landed at Helsingfors, was found from Rotterdam for Cronstadt, Russia. There is nothing to show whether she struck a mine or was hit by a shell.

BRAZILIAN BOATS QUIT

Seven Ships Will Abandon South American Coast Trade.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—The Brazilian Steamship Company announced today that its fleet of seven vessels had been withdrawn from the coasting trade of South America and until further notice would ply between Brazil and New York.

These ships fly the Brazilian flag. Arrangements for chartering several other vessels flying neutral flags, such as the Norwegian, are being made. These vessels also will run between South America and New York on regular schedule, carrying freight and passengers.

It was said that the government of Brazil, on the representations of coffee, rubber and other business interests, had urged the company to divert its ships. With but one or two exceptions, all the ships plying between South America and the United States are under either German or British flags, and consequently have been withdrawn.

The steamship Bermudian, due here today from Hamilton, Bermuda, has been ordered to remain in that port indefinitely, according to announcement made by the Quebec Steamship Company. Six hundred Americans were expected on the ship.

HEAVY RAINS END DROUGHT

Missouri Soaked After 97-Day Dry Period; One Killed.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 10.—Rains from 15-minute showers to long continued downpours were reported through Eastern Missouri and Western Illinois tonight. At Centralia, Ill., Walter Garner was killed by lightning.

In Mississippi County, Missouri, the rain broke a 97-day drought. In St. Louis the downpour started at 6 o'clock and at 10 o'clock still was unabated. Paris, Ill., reported two inches of water-fall within 30 minutes.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—Heat caused the death of three persons in New York today. Nearly a dozen others were overcome.

The temperature did not go above 85 but the humidity was very high.

TEXAS DEMOCRATS MEET

Candidates to Be Ratified Today; One Place Is Contested.

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 10.—The state Democratic convention of Texas convenes here tomorrow for the purpose of ratifying the nomination of officers chosen in the recent state primary and the adoption of a party platform. The state Democratic executive committee, in session today, declared Jeff McLemore, of Houston, a nominee for Representative-at-Large over W. F. Lane, the present Controller. Mr. Lane gave notice of appeal, asserting that an official count would insure his election.

BRITISH CAPTURE GREAT WAR PRIZE

Kron Prinz Wilhelm, German Liner, Taken.

6000 TONS OF COAL WON TOO

Strict Cable Censorship Long Hides Ship's Fate.

LINER MINNETONKA CHASED

Atlantic Transport Captain Cuts Electric Wires to All Staterooms and Blankets Portholes and Escapes From Pursuers.

LONDON, Aug. 11, 4:10 A. M.—The Hamburg-American line steamer Cap Ortelang with 20,000,000 in specie aboard, has been captured by the British, according to the Daily Mail. The liner sailed from Buenos Ayres on July 14 for Southampton.

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—While incoming ocean liners today brought confirmation that foreign warships are cruising off the American Atlantic coast, strict censorship over the cables leading out of Bermuda, perhaps kept hidden from public knowledge the fate of the North German Lloyd steamer Kron Prinz Wilhelm, which took 6000 tons of coal out of this port under cover of darkness last week, before the battleship Florida began its enforcement of neutrality laws.

The British cruiser Essex has captured the German liner and is taking her, a prize of war, into Hamilton, Bermuda, according to wireless messages declared to have been overheard at sea. The Associated Press correspondent at Bermuda indicated in a cryptic dispatch that he had information which he had not been allowed to communicate by cable.

This message came in response to one informing the correspondent of the reported capture of the Kron Prinz Wilhelm. Port authorities put into effect more rigid enforcement of the neutrality laws today almost simultaneously with the arrival of the Atlantic transport liner Minnetonka with the story that a warship, nationality not learned, had pursued her during the closing hours of her voyage to American waters.

Embargo Placed on Wireless.
An embargo was placed on the wireless apparatus of every foreign ship in New York harbor. This step was taken after the authorities began to suspect foreign cruisers at sea might be communicating with ships of their nationality in port.

The chase of the Minnetonka ended early today only after the ship steamed into the three-mile neutrality zone in the vicinity of Nantucket. Three days out from Liverpool the Minnetonka, flying a British flag, was informed by wireless by the White Star liner Oceanic, on her way to England, that a state of war had existed.

Last night the Minnetonka refused to disclose by wireless her identity to a warship which asked it. With her portholes blanketed and electric wires to every stateroom cut, the Minnetonka sped through the fog, and a few hours later lost sight of her pursuer's searchlights.

The Kronprinz Wilhelm, named in honor of the heir to the German throne, was launched in May, 1902. She is 663 feet long, of 66-foot beam, 21,300 tons displacement and 20,000 horsepower. She has a speed of 23 knots and at the time of her launching was one of the fastest and largest vessels afloat. She has accommodations for 1115 passengers and a crew of 552.

The Minnetonka brought 137 cabin passengers.

Reservists Are Stranded.
Thousands of German and Austrian reservists remain stranded here, unable to find means of transportation homeward. The Holland-American line steamship Rotterdam, said to have on board many Dutch reservists, expected to sail tomorrow for Amsterdam. The Lamport and Holt line announced resumption of sailings of its ships to Brazil and Argentine ports, beginning Thursday.

Collector of the Port Malone, before starting for Philadelphia today to confer with the port authorities there regarding the neutrality laws, issued an order to the customs inspectors urging the exercise of judgment in enforcing the revenue status in the examination of Americans and others returning from Europe.

"Bringing in Kronprinz Wilhelm as a prize."
Olympic Rushing North.
While 60 miles off Sandy Hook late yesterday, the British tanker Wapello, which arrived here today, sighted the Olympic, of the White Star line, which left New York apparently headed for England. From the course the ship was following the captain of the Wapello reported she was steaming along a course which would take her toward Halifax, where several of the fleet have put in recently. Officers of the line denied the Olympic was going to Halifax.

There is now in this harbor one of the largest oil tank fleets ever assembled here. The tankers stretch from Tomkinsville out to quarantine, apparently afraid to put out to sea. Sixteen of the fleet are reported to be official count would insure his election.

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