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says that the German advance became more pronounced and general today. food, shelter and employment. Their infantry is advancing in the directioin of Tongres and St. Trond, and Havas Agency announces that the Kingdom will anyone learn that by French Foreign Minister has received and and sea the British forces are another attack is expected in the direc-

tion of Diest and Aerschot, to the northwest of Brussels, by several army corps. The German troops are marching on

a front stretching from St. Trond to Hasselt. Their cavalry occupies a position to the right of Hasselt.

Formidable defensive works have been erected by the Belgians round Na. mur. To obviate any pretext for re- fication of the French and Belgian prisals on the part of the Germans, all forces had been established by an interthe inhabitants of Namur are being change of officers. disarmed.

#### Forts Have Not Fallen.

It was officially announced here today that none of the Liege forts had capitulated, as had been stated in German reports. It was declared that the defenders had been instructed to blow up the forts rather than surrender.

dispatch from Brussels says a battle near Eghezee, north of Namur, was keenly contested.

The Germans, according to the dispatch, were mostly cavalrymen. They were surprised by the Belgians and sustained severe casualties. Eventually they fell back hurriedly on Huy, between Namur and Liege.

The dispatch adds that three German aeroplanes flying over Diest were brought down by the Belgian artillery. Two of the aviators were killed by being dashed to earth and the third was severely injured.

Defenses Are Strengthened. Another dispatch from Brussels says the following official announcement

was issued at noon: "The Germans are planning a new movement against us, but all disposi-

tions have been made to repel it like the preceding ones. "Reports show that the situation continues favorable to us and our al-

lies, while the news from Lorraine is highly favorable to the French." Word comes through Paris that Field

Marshal Sir John French, the commander-in-chief of the English field army, joined General Joseph Joffre, French commander-in-chief, at

mentioned.

An official announcement says a large number of French troops have entered Belgium and are proceeding from Charlevol to Gembloux, ten miles to the northwest of Namur.

## French Victory Reported.

The official press bureau of the British War Office and Admiralty today issued news of a French success in the Vosges Mountains, Alsace, in the following words:

"After a successful resistance lasting five days at the passes of Sainte Marie Aux Mines and Le Bonhomme the French troops have occupied the

region of the Saale Pass, which commands the valley of the Bruche, an affluent of the Rhine. "At Saale many desertions of German

troops are noted.

"The French have taken many pris oners and captured some machine guns. "It is now confirmed that the Bel-

gian troops were successful in their engagement on August 12 with six regiments of German cavalry, sup-

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a petition from 335 subjects of the victory at Waterloo. Duchy of Luxemburg, who ask to en-It makes the position of a corre roll in the French army as a proof of spondent somewhat difficult, but it their sympathy for France and as a shows that into this struggle of giants protest against the German violation England has entered without hysteria

PARIS, Aug. 14, 12:49 P. M .- The

ing their utmost to provide them with of a nation at war, even though of

these signs it would be improper

write, but in no paper in the United

Kingdom will anyone learn that by

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of the independence of their country. or vain boasting, but earnestly, calmly PARIS, Aug. 14, 5:40 P. M .- It was and undismayed. officially announced tonight that uni-

LONDON, Aug. 14 .-- A Beuter dispatch from St. Petersburg says a message has been received there from Villa saying that a German acroplane, which was making observations of Russian military movements in the Pollsh government of Suwalki, was fired upon and brought down with a crash. Its occupants, four German officers, were killed, according to the dispatch.

LONDON, Aug. 14 .-- The Brussels correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company says the transportation of French troops into Belgian territory is now complete, and that all the troops that had been expected are in battle order at a place fixed according to the plans of the chief of staff.

GERMAN "BOAST" DERIDED

Belgians Enjoy Tale That Diplomat Was Over-Confident.

BRUSSELS, via London, Aug. 14 .-The Belgians are repeating with gusto a story to the effect that when a member of the diplomatic corps at Brussels expressed surprise that the German Minister had not left the Belgian capi-

tal promptly after the declaration of war, the Minister replied: "It isn't worth while. Tomorrow the Germans will be here."

The Belgians point out that 10 days have elapsed since the alleged conver-

# headquarters today. The locality is not WIFE'S CONSENT REQUIRED

Spouse's Statement, Is Order.

MONTREAL, Aug. 14 .- Every married man volunteering for active service is compelled to bring the written consent of his wife before he can be accepted, according to a militia order

# BUILDING SHOWS INCREASE July, 1914, Figures 15 Per Cent

CHICAGO, Aug. 14.—Building opera-tions in the United States showed an increase of 15 per cent last month, as compared with the same month a year ago, according to statistics which will be published by the Construction News tomorrow

Every section of the country showed n increase, while losses were widely

norrow.

scattered.

statement declared it to have engaged in the greatest war since their gives color to the reports that France been the consensus of opinion at the intends to keep them in one of the numerous islands off the south Breton

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Captives Off Breton Coast.

PARIS, Aug. 14 .- (Special.)-German

CORRESPONDENTS OFF TO THE WAR.

prisoners have arrived at Nantes, which

coast.

2000 German prisoners.

conference that with enlarged registry of American ships and action by the The Petit Journal says that Belgium. Government supplementing what priowing to the smallness of her territory. is asking France to take charge of

vate companies might do in connection with the insurance, the question of ex-(Concluded on Page 3.)

RUMOR

ence were made public in a statement

issued tonight by Secretary McAdoo.

Solution Belleved Near.

Great Britain is without news from

in the Mediterranean.

anxiety of the individual gives way their guns with flowers. willingly to the good of the nation. being observed literally.

the cruisers Mitylene is held to sup-

port this view. Italy also is seriously

disturbed by Turkey's reported action,

having reasons of her own for desir-

Turkey's breatig

However, that the British government is confident it has control of the sea is indicated by arrangements Star and Cunard liners, which will have viously been requistioned by the government provisionally. It is announced

the Olympic will sail August 19, the Mauretania August 29 and the Lusitania September 3.

In connection with this show of confidence in its control of the sea, London report says the captain of a Danish steamer declares he passed seven

sunken German ships on the east coast of England. He could not identify them, but believed they were warships. Officially, nothing is said on the subject of the rumor that several important British warships were sunk, except as may be inferred from the confident plans of the Admiralty for sending

ships abroad. The British government has called for bids for an issue of \$75,000,000

treasury bills. With the arrival in English ports of many ships, there has been a sharp decline in the prices of provisions.

in scouting for the armies in the field and are suffering severely, according to reports. Belgian authorities report agreed that any deficit should be made the destruction of three German aeroplanes and the death of two of their pilots, while French reports recount the narrow escape of a French aerial scout from German flying machines which hunted him. It is said a German aeroplane in Poland was brought down by Russians and four officers killed. Two German aviators who alighted on island in Holland were arrested and

disarmed. Cyclists also figured in the war news hundred military wheelmen are said to have killed, captured or routed a large number of Germans whom they surrounded near Namur.

The probable attitude of Japan and Italy is still the subject of much speculation. Conversations are going on continuously between Japan and Great Britain concerning Japan's duty under her alliance with England and the part she will be permitted to take in the peace conferences following the war. ougal. There are persistent rumors that Italy

which is fully shared by their men. Soldiers Want to Fight.

neers and foremen especially rendering

splendid service. The Belgian officers

are actuated by a high fighting spirit.

The soldiers declare that waiting in While French ministers of war and the trenches for the next battle makes state plan the issuance of a war news- them nervous. The officers have troupaper to keep the men in the field in ble in restraining them from taking touch with events and to inform them the offensive, although they respect concerning their relatives at home, the resolute qualities of the invaders It is estimated that the number of the field, so far as the press is con- French troops in the Belgian province cerned. Richard Harding Davis says of Luxemburg is 120,000. They are the whole nation has entered into a received with many manifestations of conspiracy of silence, in which the joy. In marching they sing and adora

South of Namur, from Dinant to Gi-Lord Kitchener's ban on war news is vet, on the French frontier, the bridges are guarded by quick-firing guns, the range of which is declared to be superior to that of the German artillery. The main armies are not yet at grips.

made for the sailing of several White The fighting of the keen and aggressive Germans on the left wing of the facilities for taking 13,000 passengers allies thus far has consisted chiefly of to America. These vessels had pre- dashing cavalry charges to determine the strength of the resistance of their opponents.

The Germans appear to pivot on the line of the Ourthe River, along which they have constructed trenches, evidently anticipating the possibility of a powerful offensive fight when the great battle is joined.

TAX IS TO AWAIT NEEDS

Reports From Customs May Reveal Amounts Required.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14 .- Arrangements for war taxes in the United States to supplement falling customs revenues and how they shall be levied are being held in abeyance until the situation confronting the Treasury be-

comes more clearly defined. At another conference today between

Chairman Simmons, of the Senate fi-Aviators are taking a prominent part nance committee; Chairman Underwood, of the ways and means committee, and Secretary McAdoo it was up by additional internal revenue taxes, but it was decided to hold another conference next week and in the meanwhile reports from all Atlantic Coast custom-houses will indicate what the Government must meet.

Meanwhile, Chairman Underwood will get the ways and means committee ready to act on a plan.

GRANGE TO LET CONTRACT

Washington Committee Completes Two-Day Session at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 14 .--- (Special)-The executive committee of the Washington State Grange tonight-sompleted a two day's session, planning

There are persistent rumors that Italy will join the triple entente. The Italian Ambassador is a frequent caller at the Foreign Office.

sation took place. NSORSHIP Canadian Volunteer Must Get

been received by the military authori-

made public today. Thousands of these consents have

Greater Than Year Ago.

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