

ENGLISH AND GERMAN FLEETS THOUGHT TO BE IN NORTH SEA

England Anxiously Waiting for News from Great Naval Battle, Which Will Have Marked Effect on European War.

GERMAN FLEET REPORTED TO HAVE BOMBARDED SEVABOARD

rumors of Firing Increases Excitement, But Nothing Definite Forthcoming—Some Wounded Men Reported to Have Been Returned.

FRENCH SEND FOREIGNERS OUT. LONDON, Aug. 6.—The French government, according to Americans arriving from the area of war, is doing everything possible to get foreigners out of the country.

WILSON TO WORK FOR PEACE. WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—President Wilson sent the following message yesterday to Emperor William, Emperor Nicholas, Emperor Francis Joseph, President Poincaré and King George:

"As official head of one of the Powers signatory to the Hague convention, I feel it to be my privilege and duty under Article Three to say in a spirit of the most earnest friendship that I should welcome an opportunity to act in the interest of European peace, either now or at any other time."

JAPAN WILL AID ENGLAND. SHANGHAI, Aug. 6.—Officials of the Japanese consulate said today that upon receipt of the first official news of the beginning of a clash of arms between England and Germany, Japan would send a fleet with 10,000 men to attack the Germans at Tsing Tau and 10,000 more to relieve the British garrisons at Tien Tsin and Peking.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY DECLARES WAR UPON RUSSIA. ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 6.—Austria-Hungary tonight declared war on Russia.

CHINA WILL BE NEUTRAL. PEKING, China, Aug. 6.—China today proclaimed neutrality in the European conflict. The work of fortifying the German possessions of Tsung Ta continued and the authorities there added to their accumulation of provisions.

GERMANS ARE GIVEN SURPRISE

The Advance into Belgium Meets With Unexpected Resistance.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 6.—The Belgian minister of war announces that the fortifications of Liege and vicinity are firing vigorously on the German troops. Prompt destruction of the bridges by the Belgians checked the main German advance.

AMERICANS IN COPENHAGEN. COPENHAGEN, August 6.—The American legation here is practically in a state of siege. Nearly a thousand Americans arrived from Hamburg, whence they intended sailing for America. They left their baggage in Germany.

KANSAS RACE IS VERY CLOSE

Charles Curtis Has Small Lead Over Bristow for Senatorial Nomination.

TOPEKA, Kans., Aug. 6.—While Charles Curtis, former Senator, continues to hold a lead over Senator Bristow for the Republican senatorial nomination in Kansas, the returns from yesterday's primaries left the result in doubt and it was believed Bristow had a chance.

FOR RELIEF OF AMERICANS. Congress Appropriate Two Millions For Citizens Abroad.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 6.—The House promptly passed the \$2,500,000 appropriation for the relief of Americans in Europe and within a few minutes the Senate passed it also and sent it to the White House.

WILL PROTECT PUBLIC. VIENNA, Aug. 6.—The Austrian-Hungarian government today took drastic measures to protect the public against dealers charging exorbitant prices and any attempt to keep secret the amount of stocks or to raise prices will bring a prison sentence.

THIRTY GERMAN MARINES LOST WHEN TORPEDO BOAT EXPLODES

MANY LOST IN GERMAN BOAT EXPLOSION.

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 6.—A German torpedo boat destroyer was sunk near the Gedser lightship off South Gedser by the explosion of her boilers. Thirty were drowned. A few were rescued by the lightship.

RUSSIAN AEROPLANE SHOT DOWN. VIENNA, Aug. 6.—A Russian aeroplane carrying a pilot and two Russian officers was brought to earth by Austrian sharpshooters near Lemborg and the officers killed.

ENGLAND WANTS LARGER FORCES. LONDON, Aug. 6.—Premier Asquith asked the House of Commons to vote a war credit of \$500,000,000, and said that Field Marshal Kitchener wanted the power to increase the British army to 500,000 men.

BELGIANS ANNIHILATE UHLAN REGIMENTS. LIEGE (via London), Aug. 6.—A force of German Uhlans made a brilliantly courageous but fatal attempt to capture the Belgian staff here during the night. The Belgian troops swooped down and annihilated them all.

BELGIANS LOST HEAVILY IN BATTLE. WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—Diplomatic dispatches say the heaviest losses at Liege yesterday occurred when the Germans were caught between two forts. The annihilation of some Belgian troops in a furious charge on overwhelming German forces was also reported.

PRESIDENT'S WIFE IS DEAD

Passes Away at the White House After a Lingering Illness.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 6.—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the President of the United States, died at the White House today at 5 o'clock p. m. of a complication of diseases.

President Wilson left Mrs. Wilson's bedside only to sign important official papers. He did not see even members of the cabinet.

The month's constant illness began with a nervous breakdown, then a fall on the White House floor, with an injury to the spine, which was followed by Bright's disease.

President Wilson was completely prostrated when his wife died and he broke down completely. When Secretary Tumulty entered the executive office to tell the waiting newspaper men, his cheeks were bathed in tears.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—President Wilson has been at the bedside of Mrs. Wilson almost constantly for several days, and her protracted illness has grown extremely grave.

It was while sitting beside his wife that the President wrote a message to the European crowned heads appealing for peace.

GOOD PROGRESS ON THE RAILROAD

Supt. Dixon here on Tour of Inspection—War Won't Affect Road.

Thomas Dixon, in charge of the Coos Bay and Eugene railroad work for the MacArthur Perks Company, the general contractors of the line, arrived here last evening via Drain and Allegany to inspect the work at this end. He will spend a day or so inspecting the work on this end of the line.

Mr. Dixon states that good progress is being made all along the line. Last week, he and General Manager Hitchcock and Supt. Tinkler of the MacArthur Perks Company made a trip over the line from Eugene, coming down to Florence and thence down the coast to Gardiner and as far as Lakeside, returning to Eugene last Thursday. From there Messrs. Hitchcock and Tinkler went to Brit-

THIRTY-EIGHT DIE IN WRECK

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE AT TIPTONFORD, MO., WHEN KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN TRAIN HITS A MOTOR CAR.

JOPLIN, Mo., Aug. 6.—The thirty-eight killed and two score injured in last night's wreck at Tiptonford when a Kansas City Southern passenger train collided with a Missouri & North Arkansas railroad gasoline motor car, were brought here this morning. Many of the dead and injured were badly burned by the explosion of the gasoline on the motor car. A misunderstood order caused the wreck.

GERMAN CRUISERS ARE SUNK TODAY.

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—Capt. Heggis of the Uranium Line steamer Uranium, announced at the British consulate that he intercepted a wireless from the steamer Lusitania saying that two German cruisers which had been pursuing the Lusitania had been chased and sunk by two British warships.

CAPTURE GERMAN SPIES.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 6.—Two disguised German officers were arrested today at Ostend and had in their possession extensive military notes and plans of great value. They are to be shot.

Don't forget the 35c luncheon at The Chandler, 11:30 to 2 o'clock.

GERMAN REPORTS ABOUT EUROPEAN WAR DEVELOPMENTS MAY DIFFER

So Far Only French and Belgian Reports of Developments in European Struggle Have Reached London—May Change Perspective Soon.

ENGLISH THINK THAT GERMANS HAVE BEEN GIVEN WORST OF IT

English Navy Continues to Pick Up German Merchant Vessels in Various Ports—Italy Denies French Claim of Naval Victory.

Not a word reached London from Berlin, while isolated and delayed messages from Vienna throw no light on the military situation. Many German vessels were snapped up again today in British ports.

ENGLISH DEFEAT GERMAN VESSELS. A Madrid dispatch from the Canary Islands says that a British squadron sunk one German cruiser and captured another, which is being convoyed to Gibraltar.

ROME, Aug. 6.—The Tribuna publishes a report that the cruisers Goeben and Breslau, which were reported captured by the French, have arrived at San Salvatore, Sicily. One of the German officers said that while the Breslau was shelling the French naval station at Bona, Algeria, sinking ships in the harbor and destroying the castle, the Goeben bombarded Philippeville. The British squadron subsequently pursued them.

GERMANY'S THREE ARMIES. BRUSSELS, Aug. 6.—The Germans have crossed the Belgian frontier at three points in the vicinity of Liege. A fight is in progress between the Germans and Belgians for the possession of Fleron, six miles from Liege.

GERMAN TROOPS SUFFER HEAVY LOSS. LONDON, Aug. 6.—A dispatch from Amsterdam says that 3500 Germans were killed or wounded in the fighting at Vise, Belgium.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 6.—The Gazette today says that the German losses when they were repulsed in the Liege district are estimated at 8000, while the Belgians suffered far less.

BELGIANS ROUTE GERMANS. BRUSSELS, Aug. 6.—The alleged rout of the German Seventh Army Corps was not confirmed in its entirety, however, says the Gazette, which adds: "The Belgian Eleventh Brigade, after successfully resisting the German attack, pursued the fleeing Prussians with such energy that the General commanding the Belgians was obliged to order our troops to turn back, as they were getting outside the range of the runs of our forts. A number of wounded Germans fled to Dutch territory and this gave rise to the belief that the enemy had been completely routed. At 4 o'clock this morning the German Tenth Army Corps attacked Chaudfontaine, Boucelles and Flemalle, near Liege. The Belgians captured seven guns. The proposal for the surrender of Liege was again firmly refused."

GERMAN CABLE IS NOT WORKING. NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—The Commercial Cable Company said today that there was no trouble with its lines running from New York to Nova Scotia and thence to England. The cutting of the German cable completed the isolation of Germany from communication with the outside world, except insofar as messages may be exchanged by wireless. All direct communication with the United States is severed. Hereafter all news from Germany will have to filter through hostile countries. The last message from Berlin received by the Associated Press came at 1 o'clock yesterday, telling of the British ambassador formally announcing war.

BELGIAN TOWN IN FLAMES. LIEGE, Aug. 6.—The town of Argenteau is in flames. The German army is reported marching on Liege.

DENY NAVAL BATTLE RUMOR. LONDON, Aug. 6.—Rumor of a naval engagement occurring off Cromarty, Scotland, was set at rest by official denial.

BELGIAN OFFICIALS ARE OPTIMISTIC. BRUSSELS, Aug. 6.—The Belgian Minister of War in an official statement said: "The Belgians are successfully combatting German invasion. The Belgian losses are trifling compared with those of Germany."

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