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## JAPAN PREPARING FOR HOSTILITIES WITH GERMANY

### MIKADO'S EMPIRE WOULD FORCE GERMANS OUT OF THE FAR EAST

Germany Disregarded Japan's Ultimatum to Withdraw Troops and Warships from Orient and to Evacuate Kiao Chow.

#### WILL KEEP INFORMATION OF MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS STRICTLY SECRET

Japanese Preparing to Enter Province of Kiao Chow—Fortifications There Being Strengthened by Thousands of Chinese Coolies.

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.) TOKIO, Aug. 21.—Japan is quietly preparing for eventualities following the expiration next Sunday of her ultimatum to Germany demanding the withdrawal of German warships from the Orient and the evacuation of Kiao Chow. Strict prohibition has been placed on any information concerning the movements of Japanese ships and troops. All correspondence is censored and newspapers are closely watched. The War and Navy Departments are preparing for a move on Kiao Chow, where, contrary to current reports, the German fortifications are really formidable. Since the outbreak of the European war, thousands of Chinese coolies have been employed in strengthening the defenses. It is believed that its capture will be no easy task. Japanese newspapers and leading Japanese officials express surprise at the tone of the American press that attribute sinister motives to Japan in the sending of her ultimatum to Germany.

**EXTENT OF FRENCH PRIZES.**  
(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.) PARIS, Aug. 21.—Martin says that the French have captured thus far ninety-one German field guns, four flags and nineteen automobiles.

**AEROPLANES AND DIRIGIBLES BUSY.**  
(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.) AMSTERDAM, Aug. 21.—A Zeppelin airship passed over Zevenaar today. Dutch soldiers shot at it and the dirigible disappeared over the German frontier. Another Zeppelin flew over Maastricht last night. German aeroplanes have been seen scouting over Holland in several directions.

**COMMUNICATION INTERRUPTED.**  
(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, Aug. 21.—Telegraph communication between Brussels and England was entirely interrupted today and no dispatches were accepted for any place in the Belgian provinces of Limbourg, Liege, Namur, Luxemburg, Brabant or Antwerp, except for the city of Antwerp.

**GERMAN FORCE DEFEATED.**  
(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.) PARIS, Aug. 21.—French forces defeated a detachment of German cavalry in an engagement near Basel. The Germans retired in the direction of St. Louis, leaving 500 dead and wounded on the field. They lost most of their horses.

**ALL JOIN IN DEFENSE.**  
(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.) LONDON, Aug. 21.—A dispatch from The Hague says the preparations for the defense of Antwerp extend over an enormous area. All classes in the city joined in the work, night and day, but there was no sign of a panic.

**GERMANS CONTINUE ADVANCE ON FRANCE.**  
PARIS, Aug. 21.—The official news bureau made public that the Germans continue to pass the Meuse in the vicinity of Huy and important concentration is being carried out in Belgium this morning. No French territory is occupied by the Germans except a piece of enclosed land at Audun, Leronan.

**FALSE AND FAKE NEWS SENT OUT BY THE UNITED PRESS**  
An Official Statement.  
"To Members of The Associated Press:  
"NEW YORK, Aug. 20.—Pope Pius died at 1:20 o'clock Rome time Thursday morning, as announced by dispatches of The Associated Press.  
"There is six hours' difference in time between New York and Rome, so that the hour of his death in New York time was 7:20 p. m.  
"At 2:29 p. m. New York time, or 8:29 p. m. Rome time, Wednesday, or four hours and fifty-one minutes before the Pontiff actually passed away, the United Press Association distributed throughout this country the formal announcement that the Pope was dead. As will be seen, the United Press announcement was false."  
—MELVILLE E. STONE, Gen'l Mgr., Associated Press.

### Development Of The Day Reported By Associated Press Dispatches To Coos Bay Times

Lieutenant-Colonel Roussett, a retired French military critic of excellent reputation, says a great battle has begun along a front of nearly 250 miles, 2,500,000 taking part. "The most formidable shock in history" will occur on Belgian soil, according to French military experts, when the great armies of Germans and Austrians on one side and the allied troops of Belgium, France and Great Britain on the other come into close contact. No definite information as to the place where the decisive encounter is to occur is permitted to pass censoring, but the general staff of the French army declares that it is confident of the fighting being under the best auspices for its own forces. The English Mediterranean fleet, supported by French warships and in conjunction with the Montenegrin batteries on Mount Lovchen on Wednesday bombarded the Austrian fortifications at Cattaro, greatly damaging them. Libau, a Russian Baltic Sea port, was badly damaged during its two-hour bombardment by the German fleet, according to the captain of a Swedish steamer. Its inhabitants are panic stricken. German warships are reported to have destroyed the harbor works at Hango, Finland. The final call to arms, affecting all able-bodied men from 20 to 42 years, has been issued by the Austrian government. The services of the Anglo-American Rough Riders Corps formed in Paris have been accepted by the French Minister of War.

### GERMANS ENTER CITY OF BRUSSELS WITHOUT FIRING SINGLE SHOT

GHENT (via Paris), Aug. 21.—German Hussars and Uhlans arrived Thursday morning on the shooting grounds at the gates of Brussels, whither the Burgomaster went to parley with them. In the afternoon German officers occupying an auto went to the city hall, while detachments of troops went through various parts of the city. Many inhabitants of Brussels are leaving for Ghent and Ostend. The general opinion is that the Germans will only pass through the city or at most make a short stay. The city was occupied without firing a shot. A telegram from Ostend to London said the main body of the German army around Brussels camped for the night just outside the city, which already had been formally occupied by a small advance guard. The remainder of the troops will enter the Belgian capital today.

### MEN OF MANY NATIONS WOULD AID IN DEFEATING GERMANY

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.) PARIS, Aug. 21.—The great square fronting the Invalides presented a striking spectacle today when 18,000 foreign volunteers assembled in orderly formation under flags of their various nations to be mustered in. There were 4500 Jews from all countries of the world, who desired to serve as a separate command, 3000 Belgians, 4500 Italians, 2600 Russians, 2000 Swiss, 1000 Spaniards, 600 Roumanians, 335 Luxemburgians, and 125 Americans. All these volunteers were obliged to wait until the completion of the mobilization of the French regulars, which was accomplished yesterday.

### PRESIDENT'S PLAN FOR BUYING SHIPS APPROVED BY CONGRESS

(By Associated Press to The Coos Bay Times.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—The President's plan to issue \$30,000,000 worth of Panama Canal bonds to buy merchantmen was enthusiastically supported by members of Congress. Plans for the sale of the bonds were given to Congress by Secretary McAdoo and bids, it is expected, will be advertised for soon. The actual bill is being drafted by Secretary McAdoo, assisted by marine experts. The bill will be introduced in the House by Representative Alexander. The passage of the ship purchasing and war insurance bills will be expedited by a special rule in both houses of Congress.

### BLUFORD DAVIS AUTO WRECK MOST DISASTROUS ON BAY

Sudden Death of Five Marshfield Men Caused When Speeding Automobile Crashed Over Pony Slough Bridge Near North Bend High School.

#### LATE RUMOR SAYS DRIVER TRIED TO STEER CLEAR OF LITTLE BOY ON BRIDGE

Shocking Experience Temporarily Unbalances Ivan Born—The Community Horrified by Details of Catastrophe Inquest to Be Held Tonight.

A rumor became current this afternoon that throws a different light on the cause of the Davis auto wreck. It was started by the statements of a Walker girl, who is also said to have witnessed the accident from near the North Bend High School. She told of the Kalend boy pulling a small wagon across the bridge as the automobile approached and that it appeared that Mr. Davis, in attempting to steer clear of the boy, turned too far to the right and was unable to regain the road after having made the turn on to the bridge. The Kalend boy stated that he had to dodge to escape being hit by the machine and in a measure corroborates this story. If this is true, it indicates that the five lives were sacrificed to avoid injuring the little lad.

**One of the most disastrous automobile accidents in the history of Coos County occurred yesterday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock, when a touring car driven by Bluford Davis plunged off the Pony Slough bridge, killing five men. Seven men were in the car when it jumped from the bridge, and the escape of two, George Wasson and Ivan Born, was considered miraculous.**

**The Dead.**  
BLUFORD DAVIS, a wealthy rancher of Coos River, who owned and drove the car.  
JAMES WASSON, proprietor of a fish market in this city.  
JOHN NEIGATHON, known as "Clam Jack," a well-known local character.  
BILL WIRTH, M. C. PEDERSEN, one of the proprietors of the Union Bar on North Front street and better known as "Chris" Pedersen.

**The Injured.**  
George Wasson, a brother of James Wasson, who was killed, either jumped or was thrown from the car at the time of the accident, and Ivan Born, a former employee of Hauser & Hauser, were the two men who were saved.  
**Miscellaneous Escape of Born.**  
Born was thrown under the car with those killed, but in such a position that only his right arm was held, the edge of the overturned car resting across his right wrist. He was rendered unconscious by the fall, but was immediately brought to his senses by a kick on the side of the head by a heavy caked shoe. His head and ears were cut by the blow and the water stimulated him to action. He had taken much water into his lungs, during his unconsciousness, but managed to rid himself of it when he raised his head. He was then able to dig through the soft mud and make his escape. All the time he was confined under the car he was bruised by the kicks and struggles of his companions, but endeavored to pull them out when he was released. When he finally freed himself, however, the five imprisoned men had become stifled, and when rescuers reached the scene there was no hope of reviving them.

**Only One Witness.**  
The only eye witness of the accident so far as known is Michael Kalend, the 12-year-old son of Joe Kalend, a farmer living in Platt B, near the Marshfield-North Bend road. He was going after the cows and was standing on the bridge when the car bearing the doomed men came down the hill. According to the boy the machine was approaching the bridge at a good speed and was going from one side of the road to the other. Michael was standing on the end of the bridge and he had to jump aside to avoid being struck. He called nearby neighbors at once. The boy says that the men under the car shouted to be released and it was some time before men came and righted the car.

**Wasson's Escape.**  
When the car started to fall, George Wasson jumped, or fell, from the machine and was not injured. He endeavored to raise the machine single-handed and to pull out the men beneath, but could not succeed. He then ran back to North Bend, calling for help. An automobile belonging to Gorst & King hurried to the spot, reaching the scene of the accident probably not more than twenty minutes after it occurred. A crowd had gone in the machine to aid in the rescue, but by the time they had righted the wrecked car, life was so far gone from the five men that all efforts at resuscitation were futile.

**Bluford Davis Auto Wreck.**  
A pulmotor machine was hurried from North Bend and first tried on Bluford Davis, who showed more signs of animation than the others. After a few moments, however, it was worked on James Wasson, also without success. It was then applied again to Dev's, on whom in the meantime efforts of hand-resuscitation had stimulated some signs of life and who was thought to be fairly started toward recovery. Left Marshfield on Pleasure Trip.  
The party left Marshfield about 2 o'clock for a little pleasure ride to Empire and return. When they started from Marshfield J. O'Kelly, proprietor of several launches on the Bay, was with the crowd, but had a "hunch," as he expressed it, and refused to go along, getting out at North Bend. Fearing some sort of an accident, Pedersen also tried to refuse the trip, but was prevailed upon to go along. He was quite reluctant about making the trip.

**Born Joins Party.**  
When they stopped at North Bend, Ivan Born, who had not accompanied them from Marshfield, was called upon to bring a round of drinks from a saloon before which he was lounging. He did so, and then the crowd went inside for another drink apiece, staying in the saloon but a few moments. Born was asked to go along to Empire with the party and as he had work that way decided to go. They left North Bend shortly after 4 o'clock.

**Crowds Go to Scene.**  
After the accident a great crowd was attracted. Several physicians were quick to reach the scene, but beyond the use of the pulmotor, nothing could be done for the men. No examination was made for broken bones or internal injuries at that time.  
**Bodies Brought to Marshfield.**  
The bodies were brought to Marshfield late in the evening, the bodies of Wasson and Davis being left at the Williams Undertaking Parlor and those of Pedersen, Neigathon and Bill Wirth were taken to Dungan's.  
**Car Not Damaged Much.**  
The wrecked car of Bluford Davis was towed to the Smith & Wade machine shop early this morning. An examination showed that but slight damage had resulted from the twenty-five foot fall over the Pony Slough bridge. The car was raised after about two hours' work and towed here by another car. It was steered with its own gear, showing that nothing was broken about the steering apparatus, as was at first suspected. It was supposed that the breakage of the steering gear caused the accident, but Mr. Smith stated this morning that absolutely nothing was wrong with that part of the mechanism. The body of the car was slightly bent out of shape, but the engine was not damaged. Several blood stains showed on the right side of the car when it reached here.

**BORN BADLY RATTLED.**  
Could Not Give Coherent Answers to Questions at Hospital.  
When Ivan Born was taken to Mercy Hospital after the auto wreck on Pony Slough last evening, he was so badly unnerved that he could not give an account of the affair to the authorities, and his actions were so peculiar that he was for a time turned over to the police for care. He did not wish to remain in the hospital, the scenes and surroundings working on his nerves to such an extent that he was taken to the boiler room for treatment. He would accept no treatment for his  
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