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TSING TCHAU, FORTIFIED SEAPORT OF KAIO CHAU, GERMAN POSSESSION IN CHINA, WHICH HAS BEEN BLOCKADED BY THE FLEETS OF THE BRITISH, FRENCH AND RUSSIAN ALLIES



Fall of Namur Officially Admitted by War Office but Asquith Says British Beat Off German Attack.

#### BRITISH LOSSES WERE ENORMOUS IN BATTLE

of War Terminated by Namur's Fall.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Paris, Aug. 25. - The Germans in northern Beligium were on the offensive again today.

Near Malines they attacked the com-

attacked the German flank. Surprised, the Germans re

miles to the southeast. There they were heavily reinforced and resumed the offensive.

#### By Ed L. Keen,

regarded as ending all hopes of a speedy termination of the war.

be compelled to send every available lied forces already in the field. That another strong body was already or its way to the continent was reported

explanations of the loss of Namur, but beyond owning that the Germans had taken it, the war office was silent. Experts suggested that the French. over-confident, advanced too fast and Nancy and Luneville. were overwhelmed by the kaiser's British losses were understood to

have been enormous. "When it be (Concluded on Page Two, Column Four)

## GERMANS CAPTURED 10,000 FRENCH, SAY ADVICES TO EMBASSY

Embassy at Washington Bosnia, to help them. Tell of Victory.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Aug. 25 .- A wireless message received today by the German embassy here from the foreign office at Berlin said the Germans had captured 10,000 French soldiers, including several generals. It was also said the Germans now control Longwy and most of the Belgian-Franco frontier. One dispatch received by the German embassy here said:

"The Germans chased the French defeated in the battle between August 17 and August 21. Numerous ensigns, more than 150 guns and 10,000 prisoners were taken in the capture of

"The German crown prince's army chased the French west of Longwy. The army commended by the Duke

of Wuertemburg marched through Belgium and crossed the River Semols. It empletely crushed the advancing French army. Numerous guns, ensigns and several generals were captured.

German troops then advanced west of the River Meuse toward Maubeuge, An English cavalry brigade was de-The greatest part of the Franco-

border is now in German "A concerted advance of all the German armies on Paris is now prob-

Still another dispatch to the German embassy read: "Assistant secretary of the American Navy Breckinridge arrived on the Tennessee. He praised the attitude of the German people. He declared it was our duty to inform the American people of the victories of the German armies and of the excellent spirit of the German no

"Breckinridge was touched by the way Germans have been helping poor Russian families in Berlin."

# War Bulletins |

#### POLICE DEFEND OSTEND

London, Aug. 25 .- German cavalry having appeared in the vicin ity of Ostend and no Belgian troops being available there, a force of gendarmes, or police, sallied out to meet the enemy, according to a dispatch from the Belgian port to he News today, and a desperate fight began, which was still raging in the city's outskirts when the message was filed. It was stated that automobiles were bringing in the wounded.

BELGIANS SURPRISE GERMANS Antwerp, Aug. 25. - Sallying from Antwerp, a strong Belgian cavalry detachment, supported by CREW CAPTURED WHEN rapid firers and followed by infantry, surprised a force of Germans south of the city today, defeated them in a four hours fight All Hopes of Speedy Ending and drove them to Vilvorde, where there are strong German entrench-

#### DEFENDS HIS COUNTRYMEN

New York, Aug. 25. - Stories that German officers had stripped and searched American women in Germany were characterized as ab- ping bombs into Antwerp, a German surd here today by German Ambined British and French forces at bassador von Bernstorff. He also dawn. While the fight raged a force denied assertions that the Gerof Belgians sallied from Antwerp and mans were carrying on an uncivilized warfare.

#### GERMANS RAID IN AFRICA

Cape Town, Aug. 25 .- Reports at it repeatedly but missed. of German raids into British territory from German southwest Af- the palace, at which it aimed eight London, Aug. 25.-Namur's fall was rica were confirmed here today. admitted by the war office here today. The Boer farmers, who, it was This success by the Germans was thought, might favor the Germans, damaging several other buildings, inwere said to be resisting them. cluding a hospital, besides killing The British, it was believed, would Some loss of life was reported.

soldier in the country to help the al- FRENCH HOLDING MULHAUSEN still held Mulhausen today. They The newspapers were all demanding had repulsed numerous German taken a strong position between

> NEUTRALITY IS PROCLAIMED Washington, Aug. 25 .- America's neutrality in the war between Japan and Germany was proclaimed

## Servians Prepare to Invade Hungary

by President Wilson this afternoon.

Salonika, Aug. 25.—Having beaten the Austrians out of their own country and gained a firm foothold tr the Austrian province of Bosnia, th Servians were reported today organizing a force to invade Hungary. Wireless Reports to German It was said they were confident the Slav population would rise, as in

> The Montenegrins were pressing their advantage in the province of Dalmatia and were entering Herzegovina in increasing numbers.

After Bombarding Antwerp and Trying to Wreck the Royal Palace, Zeppelin Is Bagged by Aerogun.

# BIG FLIER HITS EARTH

#### Dirigible Maneuvered Over Antwerp and Demolished Several Buildings.

Antwerp, Aug. 25 .- After it had done considerable damage by drop-Zeppelin was brought to the ground within the Belgian lines here today by a shot from an aerogun and the entire crew of 25 was captured.

The big dirigible hovered for a me directly above the mat proached and the outlying forts fired

Its evident purpose was to destroy bombs. The palace itself was missed, but three of the bombs exploded deseven and wounding six persons

Its ammunition apparently exhaustcd, the great airship then turned its nose to the southward and sailed Paris, Aug. 25. - The French away. It was as it was passing over a fort six miles outside the city that it was hit by the Belgian gunners. attacks." Overlooking the frontier despite all the crew could do, it flopped The shot disabled its machinery and of Lorraine the Gallic forces had heavily to the earth like a wounded

Those on board were hopelessly outnumbered and surrendered without

#### Report Is Confirmed.

London, Aug. 25 .- The United Press account of the deperedations and final capture of a German dirigible at Antwerp was confirmed by the war office information bureau here this after noon. The war office's version, however, was that the Zeppelin dropped six instead of eight shrapnel bombs, and that 12 persons were killed.

#### BLOW MAY BE FATAL

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 25.-Herbert Oliver, 33, was probably fatally injured by a blow from the fist of his brother Reginald. They quarreled over the merits of two fraternal organiza-

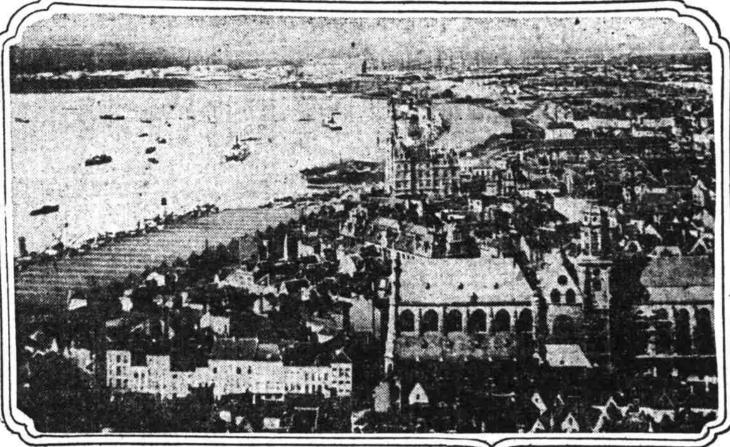
Japanese Reach The Hague. The Hague, Aug. 25 .- The staff of the Japanese embassy in Berlin arrived here safely today.

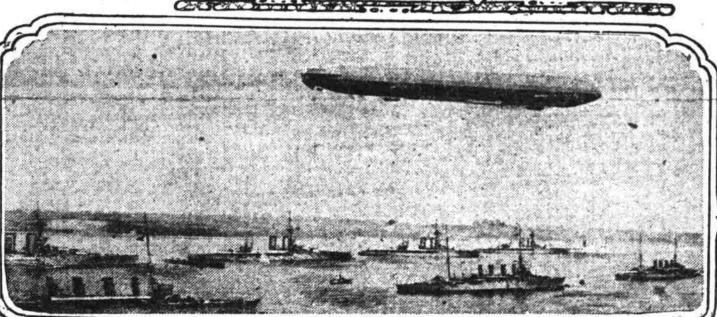
#### RUSSIAN ADVANCE IN EASTERN PRUSSIA



Gumbinnen, Interburg and Johannesburg are reported to have captured and a huge army is moving toward Koeligsburg.

#### WHERE THE BELGIANS ARE MAKING THEIR LAST STAND





# BY ALLIES' CRUISERS

Two Vessels Attempt to Run Blockade but Are Attacked and Driven Into Harbor,

(United Press Leased Wire.) London, Aug. 25 .- The German warships Gneisenau and Scharnhorst were badly damaged at Riao Chau today. according to a news agency dispatch received here from Tokio.

The two German ships tried to run the blockade, it was said, whereupon Japanese and British cruisers attacked

The message said they were driven back into the harbor.

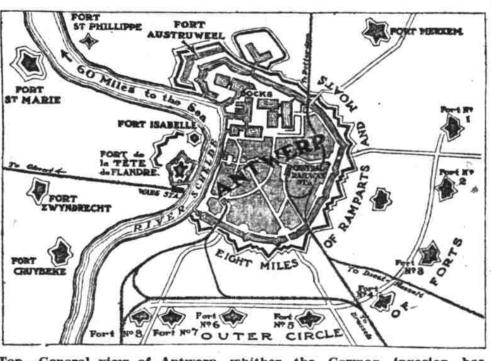
#### Germans Plant Mines. Tokio, Aug. 25 .- Japanese, British,

French and Russian warships engaged in blockading Tsing Tchau are taking every possible precaution to guard against floating mines.
It was stated on good authority to-

day that more than 10,000 mines obstruct the entrance to the harbor. The garrison of 7000 showed plainly its determination to resist, and investigation has proved that its land defenses really are formidable. Hopes were still expressed, however, that a close blockade and the cordoning of the land side of the concession would starve out the Germans without seri ous bloodshed.

proclamation to school teachers and pupils today, urging them to treat German residents of Japan kindly. The minister of home affairs also instructed local governors to take every precaution to protect German lives and

Tacoma, Wash., Aug. 25 .- After record run from San Francisco, the according to advices received here. The Idzuma was expected to put into allies' plan to take the offensive. either Victoria or Vancouver to take on coal and await further orders.



Top-General view of Antwerp, whither the German invasion has driven the Belgians.

Center-Zeppelin airship of the type that dropped explosives on Antwerp. The photograph was taken during a recent friendly visit of British warships to Kiel. Bottom-Map showing the defenses of Antwerp.

YESTERDAY'S BATTLE

lief in Europe; Allies Now

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Rotterdam, Aug. 25 .- The dearth of

Take Defensive.

## ALLIES' OFFENSE IS GREAT ARMIES REST A FAILURE, BUT CAN KAISER FOLLOW UP?

fense of Ardennes by Germans Spoiled French Plan.

By J. W. T. Mason. . JAP CRUISER AT SOUND (Former London Correspondent of the

fighting front was such today as to New York, Aug. 25.-France must suggest that both sides, exhausted by a fight for freedom on French soil. The allies' exuberant feeling during the prolonged and desperate battle Japanese cruiser Idzuma, which left the first fortnight of fighting that culminating in the allies' repulse and San Francisco bay two days ago on a mysterious mission, passed into the straits of Juan de Fuca early today, the great battles of the present war rest temporarily on their arms. was shattered by the failure of the Accounts were received of scattered fighting up and down the line but it

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# Austrian Cruisers Now in Orient to Join Germans in Defending Concessions in China Instead of Disarming as Expected; Hints That Japanese May Send Aid to Europe,

GERMANS AGAIN ATTEMPTING TO PUSH THEIR WAY ACROSS BOUNDARY

Further Retirements by Allied Forces Expected to Follow Resumption of Attack by Germans Owing to Strength of the Attacking Army.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Vienna, Aug. 25 .- Austria today declared war against Japan. The formal declaration was handed to the Japanese ambassador with his passports.

It was expected he would leave immediately for Italy.

The council of ministers decided on the declaration after discussing Japan's declaration against Germany. It was agreed no other course was left to Austria under its treaty with the

When the Japanese proclaimed hostilities against the Germans, it was expected that Austria, as Germany's ally, would

Instead, however, it was announced an Austrian cruiser in Kiao Chau bay would proceed to a neutral port and disarm. This was taken as meaning the Vienna government did not consider itself concerned in the oriental situation.

Almost simultaneously with the announcement of the Austrian declaration came a report from Shanghai that the cruiser would not, after all, disarm, but that it would help the Kiao Chau Germans to resist the Japanese.

### JAPAN MAY JOIN ALLIES IN EUROPE

Washington, Aug. 25 .- "If England requires assistance outside of the orient our treaty forces Japan to seriously consider going to her aid," said a Japanese official here today.

#### COSSACKS ROUT AUSTRIAN CAVALRY

St. Petersburg, Aug. 25.-A general engagement between a German force and the Russians who have invaded northeastern Prussia was imminent today.

Two Russian armies were also overrunning northwestern Cossacks have routed Austrian cavalry at Hodwolloczisk,

#### AUSTRIANS RETIRE BEFORE RUSSIANS

St. Petersburg, Aug. 25.-Occupation by the Russians of several passes in the lower Carpathian mountains, well within the Austrian frontier, was announced by the war office here

It was added that the czar's troops were in force between he Carpathians and the Sereth river, and that the Austrians were retiring.

This seemed to indicate extensive Russian operations in the Austrian province of Bukowina.

#### FRENCH REPULSE GERMAN ATTACK

Paris, Aug. 25 .- A concerted German attack from Colmar on the French troops in Alsace has been repulsed with heavy loss, the war office announced here today.

FURTHER RETIREMENTS EXPECTED Paris, Aug. 25,-Fighting was still in progress today along

#### the allies' and the German lines, according to the war office. At some places on the line, it was stated, the Germans were

The minister of education issued a Fall of Namur and Easy De- Delay Will Be Short, Is Be- massed so heavily that further retirements by the allies would not be surprising. The war office did not announce whether all the Namur

forts were taken by the Germans, but promised a statement soon. The censorship was extremely strict today.

#### BATTLE CONTINUES ON SECONDARY LINES

Paris, Aug. 25 .- Following the fall of Namur and the reerse the Franco-British allies suffered at the Germans' hands n Monday's fighting in Belgium, the former were on the defensive today.

The Germans, pressing their advantage, were enveloping the Franco-Belgian and Franco-German frontiers. "The battle," announced the war office, "continues along the

After the German repulse at Liege was on a small scale, the big engage. allies' secondary lines of defense, which the I rench and British will hold while the Russians move on Berlin.