

GERMANY DECLARES WAR UPON RUSSIA

KAISER SENDS DECLARATION OF WAR TO CZAR

Mobilization Nearly Complete, But Not Necessarily War, Says Poincare—Germany's Movements Are Wrapped in Secrecy, Though Mobilization Reported in Progress.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 1.—The German Emperor in the name of his government, sent to the Russian minister of foreign affairs at 7:30 o'clock a declaration of war.

BERLIN, Aug. 1.—Emperor William signed an order mobilizing the German army at 5:15 o'clock this evening.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 1.—Martial law was declared tonight in St. Petersburg and the suburbs of the capital.

PARIS, Aug. 1.—The mobilization of the French army, according to the official decree, is to be completed at 11:59 o'clock Sunday night. President Poincare and members of the French cabinet issued a joint proclamation to the French nation, in which was the phrase: "Mobilization is not war."

Conversations Continue

PARIS, Aug. 1.—The decree of mobilization of the French army has not terminated diplomatic relations between France and Germany. Conversations between the powers, notably between Russia and Austria and between France and Germany, continued this evening.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—A Berlin dispatch to the Central News says it is officially confirmed the German mobilization is in progress.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The British foreign office says that the Central News report that it had received an unofficial message to the effect that German mobilization had been ordered is absolutely untrue.

Situation Improves

LONDON, Aug. 1.—A dispatch received by the Central News from St. Petersburg tonight says that Emperor Nicholas received Count von Poutales, German ambassador to Russia, in a long conference today. As a result of the meeting, reports were circulated in the capital that the general situation has improved.

ATHENS, Greece, Aug. 1.—Austrian monitors on the Danube this morning resumed the bombardment of Belgrade and its surroundings, according to a telegram from Nish, Serbia.

Ultimatum Extended

LONDON, Aug. 1.—A Central News dispatch from Paris says by common agreement the limit of Germany's ultimatum to France has been extended for forty-eight hours, until noon Monday.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The Westminster Gazette says the Austro-Hungarian government yesterday sent a communication to St. Petersburg, declaring that Austria-Hungary had no intention of annexing Serbia, extinguishing the sovereignty of Serbia or re-annexing the Sanjak (province) of Novipazar.

SWISS PARLIAMENT TO PROTECT FREEDOM

BERN, Switzerland, Aug. 1.—The Swiss federal parliament has been summoned to meet on Monday to consider measures to safeguard the independence of Switzerland and to appoint a commander-in-chief of the army of 175,000 men called to the colors by a mobilization order. The house also will deal with a measure for the issuance of five franc notes.

EUROPE FEARS PERILS OF BIG WAR AS RUSSIA'S TROOPS GATHER TO HELP SERVA



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A PATRIOTIC DEMONSTRATION IN BELGRADE.



THE CROWN PRINCE OF SERVA



WHERE THE FIRES OF WAR ARE ABLAZE.

ULTIMATUM TO RUSSIA AND FRANCE FROM GERMANY

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The German ultimatum sent to Russia said that if Russia did not stop her mobilization by noon today Germany would begin the mobilization of her army.

When the news of King George's intervention with the Russian emperor was conveyed to the German embassy here it elicited the remark that it "tended to revive hope."

The censorship drew a veil over what developments might have been the result of the German ultimatum to Russia and to France, and of King George's intervention with the Emperor of Russia.

The latest message to reach here from Berlin was an official notification that Germany's ultimatum to Russia expired at noon.

The Russian embassy in London this evening pointed out the difficulty created for Russia by Germany's ultimatum.

TRANS-ATLANTIC STEAMER SERVICE NOW SUSPENDED

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Wholesale cancellations of trans-Atlantic sailings, recalls by wireless of European bound vessels a day or two out of port, and suspension altogether of trans-Atlantic service by many lines were announced in rapid succession here today.

The trans-Atlantic service between New York and continental Europe was suspended today by the Sunard line and the International Mercantile Marine company, which controls the White Star, Red Star, American, Leyland, Dominion and Atlantic Transport lines.

Sailings for British ports via these lines was not interrupted.

The North German Lloyd line, which announced yesterday that no more vessels would sail from either side of the Atlantic, completed its tie-up by ordering back to port today three vessels, the Friedrich der

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TIME LIMIT OF ULTIMATUM TO RUSSIA EXPIRES

BERLIN, Aug. 1.—It was officially announced today that the time limit of the German ultimatum to Russia expired at noon today.

An official publication of a communication in the North German Gazette says the Russian emperor on July 29 telegraphed to Emperor William, urgently requesting him to help in averting the misfortune of a European war and to try to restrain his ally, Austria-Hungary, from going too far.

Emperor William replied that he would willingly take up the task of mediator, and accordingly diplomatic action was initiated at Vienna.

While this was in progress, the news that Russia was mobilizing reached Berlin and Emperor William telegraphed to the emperor of Russia that his role as mediator was being endangered, if not made impossible.

The communication adds that a decision was to have been taken in Vienna today in regard to the mediation proposals in which Great Britain had joined Germany, but that in the meanwhile Russia had ordered the full mobilization of her forces. Upon this Emperor William addressed a last telegram to Emperor Nicholas, emphatically declaring that his own responsibility for the safety of the German empire had forced him to take defensive measures.

A sawmill will be built at Joler station on the Willamette Pacific.

BILL TO PERMIT AMERICAN REGISTRY FOR FOREIGN SHIPS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—President Wilson and congress leaders agreed today on a bill to modify and amend the Panama Canal law to permit foreign ships to take American registry in the European crisis. It will be pressed for passage Monday.

ITALY TO REMAIN NEUTRAL IN WAR UNLESS ATTACKED

PARIS, Aug. 1.—Dispatches from Rome say that Italy formally notified the German ambassador today this evening that she will remain neutral.

ROME, Aug. 1.—The Messagero today says that the German ambassador has informed the Italian government that Germany has sent simultaneous ultimatums to Russia and France.

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HOPE FOR PEACE IS NOW FOLLY

PARIS, Aug. 1.—At the French foreign office today officials declared they considered it would now be folly to rely on any hope of a peaceful outcome of the international crisis. England's efforts at Berlin yesterday, they said, had failed and any glimmer of hope which had appeared had been immediately extinguished.

The conditions under which the diplomatic "conversations" continued today made it, in the French official view, appear almost impossible to expect a satisfactory issue, and it was reluctantly admitted that war seemed to be only a question of hours.

It was stated after the receipt of

the German communication that there was only the most slender hope that it would have any result.

Arrangements were made last night by Myron T. Herrick, the American ambassador, acting under instructions from Washington, to take over the affairs of the German embassy, while Alexander H. Thackara, the American consul general, is to look after the affairs of the German consulate.

Officials at the French embassy said, however, that efforts were still being made in various directions to maintain the peace and that "conversations" had not ceased.

HEARTS FOR GOD, FISTS FOR ENEMIES

BERLIN, Aug. 1.—The German imperial chancellor today addressed a procession of demonstrators from the window of his official residence, making a stirring speech. He said: "At this serious hour, in order to give expression to your feelings for your fatherland, you have come to the house of Bismarck, who with Emperor William, the great and Field Marshal Von Moltke, weided the German empire for us.

"We wished to go on living in peace in the empire which we have developed in 44 years of peaceful labor.

"The whole work of Emperor William has been devoted to the maintenance of peace. To the last hour

he has worked for peace in Europe and he is still working for it. Should all his efforts prove vain and should the sword be forced into our hands, we will take the field with a clear conscience in the knowledge that we did not seek war. We shall then wage war for our existence and for the national honor to the last drop of our blood.

"In the gravity of this hour I remind you of the words of Prince Frederick Charles to the men of Brandenburg:

"Let your hearts beat for God and your fists on the enemy."

Enthusiastic cheers and the singing of the national anthem greeted the close of the imperial chancellor's speech.

5 PERCENT RATE INCREASE GIVEN EASTERN ROADS

Increases Granted Between Buffalo and Pittsburg and Mississippi River, But Not East of These Points—New Rates Increase Income One and a Half Per Cent.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Five per cent increase freight rates between Buffalo and Pittsburg and the Mississippi river were granted today by the interstate commerce commission in a decision in the eastern advance rate case. All increases east of Pittsburg and Buffalo were denied.

No increases were granted on lake and rail rates. All classes within the Central Freight association territory were advanced five per cent. Commodity rates got a like advance excepting coal, coke, brick, tile, clay, starch, cement, iron ore and plaster.

Increased Incomes

The new rates are expected to increase the incomes of the railroads approximately 1 1/2 per cent. All the principal east and west systems will benefit by the increases, as their lines traverse the territory affected.

The commission held the income of the railroads was smaller than is demanded in public interest, but that no showing had been made warranting a general increase in rates.

The commodities upon which no advances were allowed compose approximately 35 per cent of the total volume of traffic in the central territory.

Condemning what is characterized as propaganda to influence its decision, the commission said:

Clamor is Condemned

"There can be no doubt that this clamor and outcry have tended to mislead the public and have seriously aggravated the present commercial depression."

The commission suggested advances in passenger fares and elimination of costly free services to shippers and practically all free passes, and development of greater efficiency in personnel and equipment.

Commissioners McChord and Daniels, at the last moment, gave a dissenting opinion. Commissioner McChord held no difference should have been made between the territories east and west of Pittsburg and Buffalo. Commissioner Daniels held that a 5 per cent increase should have been granted generally.

Fifty-Two Systems

The decision, affecting fifty-two railroad systems east of the Mississippi and north of the Potomac and Ohio rivers, in what is designated official classification territory, has been under consideration several months. The railroads have asked the increase solely on the ground that their revenues have become

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VILLA NOT TO WITNESS ENTRY TO MEXICO CITY

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 1.—General Villa has not been invited officially or unofficially by General Carranza to take part in the entry of the constitutionalist troops into Mexico City. This was learned definitely today. It explained in part, at least, the delay of the northern commander in moving his forces south.

It was learned also that Villa has been recruiting an average of 400 men daily at Chihuahua City.

Reports from Aguas Calientes told of disturbed conditions below that point. Alberto Fuentes, constitutionalist governor, believes travel to the south unsafe. General Pascual Orozco, with at least 1000 federal regulars, is terrorizing the country below the state capital.