

### GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH HERE ON AUGUST 29

The Barnum & Bailey "Greatest Show on Earth" will exhibit here for two performances and street parade upon August 27, will be given. In recent seasons the big circus has had spectacular features but this season the management has gone to untold expense in investing the big circus with a wonderfully brilliant pageant of Oriental splendor entitled "The Wizard Prince of Arabia." This colossal innovation is offered at the opening of the show thereby doing away with the old stereotyped "grand entree" idea which has been worked to death by all the tented aggregations throughout the land.

In this realistic reproduction of the glamorous, eventful days of the land of the "Thousand and One Nights," Barnum & Bailey engage the services of more than 2000 persons which embraces the dancing activities of hundreds of gaily bedecked coryphees and a grand ballet effect at the finale which leaves a lasting impression.

The spectacle opens with an elaborately decorated setting of Arabic land where there is much confusion over the departure of the prince and his five wizards, who perform modern day miracles in helping their noble master conquer strange domains. The subsequent adventures of the prince and his wizardly retinue which sets forth from their native heath with horses gaily caparisoned and amid a great and gorgeous spectacle. In quick succession follows the invasion of King Babar's realm in India where by the magic aid of the five wizards the prince is enabled to win the heart and hand of the king's daughter. There's a magnificent wedding feast which is produced in kaleidoscopic splendor, teeming with life, action and color. The ballet finale was pronounced by the press of New York City to be the last word in circus pageantry.

In addition to the grand opening there is the usual circus program of mid-air sensations, daring feats on trapeze bar, tight wire and horseback by 250 acrobatic performers. Imported features galore which include the famous Icelandic troupe of athletes, two troupes of oriental plate and cup spinners and acrobats, the human fly walking head downward on the crystal mirror, the midget equestrian, Bird Millman, the Tango queen of the tight wire, the wonderful Weiss troupe of equilibrista, a wild west exhibition of lassoing and broncho busting, the famous Schis-vouit troupe of gymnasts, the Imper-

### REFUGEE TELLS OF BATTLE IN AIR BETWEEN AVIATORS

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Mrs. M. E. Harris West of Montgomery, Ala., a passenger on the Nieuw Amsterdam, which arrived from Rotterdam last night, told of having witnessed a fight in the air near Elten, Belgium. The party of which Mrs. West was a member left Berlin two days after the war was declared, proceeding into Belgium on a troop train. Her story of the flight follows:

"On reaching Elten, on the frontier, we were startled at the sound of firing. Our attention was attracted aloft, where we saw several aeroplanes circling about.

"The soldiers told us that several of the aeroplanes were French and that their pilots probably were on a reconnoitering expedition. Several German aeroplanes also were in the air and shots were exchanged between them and the Frenchmen.

"The train halted so suddenly that we were jammed against each other. The soldiers hastily disembarked and trained their guns in the direction of the Frenchmen. One of the French machines was seen to wobble and fall precipitately to the ground. Whether it was caused by the German gunfire we were not able to learn."

Mrs. West said it took her party three days to reach Rotterdam.

### FRENCH PARADE WITH CAPTURED STANDARD

PARIS, Aug. 18, 3:30 p. m.—The Black and Golden Eagle of the 132nd, Lower Alsatian Infantry regiment of the German army, captured by the French at Saint Blaise, Alsace, was hung today before the statue of Napoleon in the court of honor of the Invalides.

A company of the Republican Guards escorted the silk standard, which was carried from the presidential palace through the Avenue Marigny, the Avenue Nicholas II and across the bridge of Alexander II. A band played the Marseillaise and many spectators, as the flag appeared, removed their hats as a salute to the vanquished.

A Viennese troupe of flying trapezists and a great array of stirring hippodrome events at the close. There are numerous other big features and all combined make Barnum & Bailey's circus the biggest and best

### BRITISH FORCES SAFELY LANDED ON FRENCH SHORES

LONDON, Aug. 17 (12 midnight).—The official war information bureau announces that the British expeditionary forces have landed safely on the French shore.

Frederick E. Smith, the unionist member of parliament, who is acting as director of the official press bureau of the British war office and admiralty, issued the following statement to the English newspapers tonight:

"Field Marshal Earl Kitchener wishes me to add that he and the country are under the greatest obligation to the British press for the loyalty with which all references to the movements of the British expeditionary force and their landing on the continent had been suppressed.

"Earl Kitchener is well aware that much anxiety must have been caused to the English press by the knowledge that these matters were being freely discussed in the continental press, and he wishes to assure the press of this country that nothing but his conviction of the military importance to this country of suppressing these movements would have led him to issue instructions which placed the press of this country under a temporary disadvantage."

### STEAMER EMPRESS OF RUSSIA DODGES GERMAN CRUISERS

YOKOHAMA, Aug. 18.—The Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Russia, recently taken over by the British government and ordered delivered to the British naval authorities at Hong Kong, arrived from Vancouver today. The steamer dodged two German cruisers, crossing the Pacific with her lights extinguished.

### MOBILIZATION OF RUSSIAN TROOPS NOW COMPLETED

LONDON, Aug. 18, 1:55 p. m.—The Russian embassy here is in receipt of a communication from the general staff at St. Petersburg saying that the Russian mobilization is completed and that eleven members of the Russian imperial family already are at the front.

Continuing, the communication says that the only point where German forces have crossed the frontier is between Vloclavsk and Andreev, in Russian Poland, west of Warsaw.

The Russian vanguard has occupied five points in the enemy's territory and several hundred prisoners have been taken.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—A cablegram received at the state department today from the embassy in St. Petersburg said the Russian emperor left the capital August 12 for Moscow to make his headquarters with the army. The message was sent August 12, but delayed in transmission.

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### TUBERCULOSIS

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### LAST OF XMAS TOYS BROUGHT FROM EUROPE

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—The last of the Hamburg-American line ships on the high seas arrived in this country today, according to announcement made at the line's offices in New York. She is the Arcadia, a freighter, which left Hamburg for Newport News July 29. Early this morning she arrived safely inside Cape Henry. The Arcadia carries a half million dollar cargo of toys. This shipment probably will be the last from Germany to reach this country to supply the demands of the American children next Christmas.

### ASHLANDERS NOT KEEN TO FIGHT FOREST FIRE

Game Warden Hubbard received notice today that there was a forest fire on Grouse creek, the other side of Mount Ashland, and had orders to gather a crowd of men and go to fight the fire. There were plenty of men on the street, but none seemed anxious to embark in that line of endeavor. Hum Pracht and S. E. Wise offered to go in charge of the commissary department, and Mr. Hubbard said that he thought there would be no trouble in getting men for this department of the work. At least a dozen men are wanted, and men wanting employment will do well to call Mr. Hubbard or Mr. Moore, the forest ranger, up in regard to the matter.—Ashland Tidings.

### GERMAN-AMERICANS APPEAL TO WILSON

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—An appeal that the government of the United States plead with Japan to refrain from carrying the European war into the far east was received by President Wilson today from the national German-American alliance. The president was thanked for his offer of mediation to the warring nations of Europe.

The petition and other appeals are receiving attention in official quarters, but no announcement has yet been made as to the government's course.

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