

AUSTRIA NOW AT WAR WITH JAPAN ---U. S. NEUTRAL

RUSSIANS DRIVING AUSTRIANS TOWARD VIENNA

Japanese Ambassador to Austria is handed his passports, and leaves at once for home—Japan Embassy Staff from Berlin reaches the Hague—Two Russian Armies Invading Dual Monarchy.

United Press Service

VIENNA, Aug. 25.—In view of the aggressive attitude toward Germany on the part of the Japanese, Austria today formally declared war against Japan.

The Japanese minister here was handed his passports, and will leave at once for home. He was given Austria's formal declaration.

United Press Service

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 25.—Two Russian armies are invading Austria.

The Cossacks have routed the Austrian cavalry at Hodwołozisk.

A general engagement between Russian and Prussian forces is imminent.

The government announces that the Russians have occupied several passages in the Lower Carpathians, and are now in force between the mountains and the Serech River.

The Austrians are retiring.

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 25.—President Wilson today issued a proclamation of American neutrality in reference to the Jap-German trouble.

United Press Service

THE HAGUE, Aug. 25.—The staff of the Japanese embassy at Berlin arrived today. The members had been missing since Saturday, and fears were felt for their safety.

Continue Shirtwaist Dances.

Arrangements are practically completed to give shirtwaist club dances, commencing a week from Friday, every Friday night, at Houston's opera house. The courteous treatment accorded those attending dances given by the Shirtwaist Club, and the spacious floor of the opera house ought to bring out nearly all those receiving invitations.

Among a list which included a large number of men, Miss Elise Leoida, 25 years old, daughter of a Roumanian colonel, took fourth place at the Charlottenburg Technical Academy of Berlin. She is the first woman to qualify as an engineer.

France Sees Victory

Says Germans Will Soon Be Away From Supplies

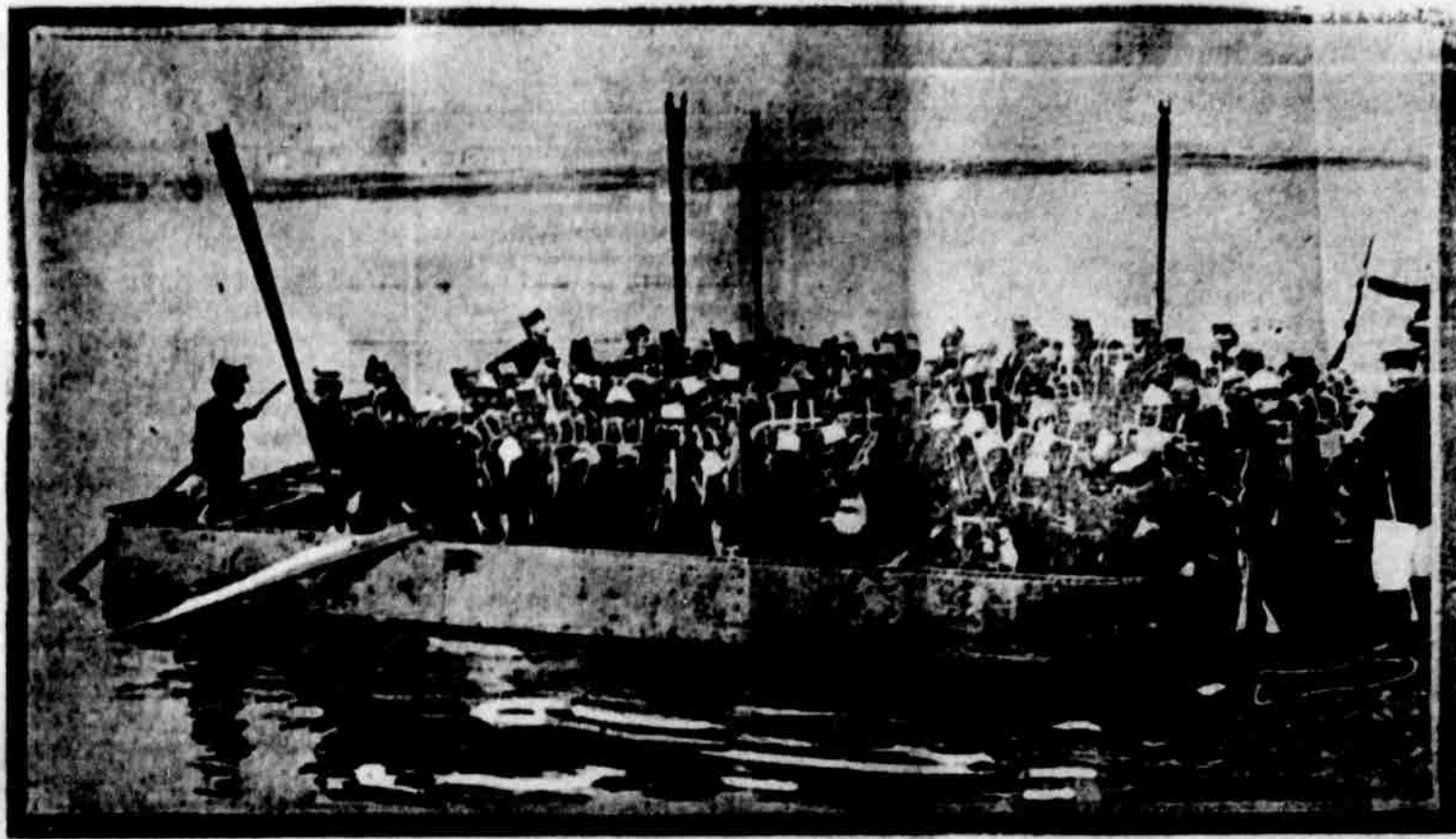
United Press Service

PARIS, Aug. 25.—French military experts are certain that the Kaiser is to be defeated in the present war, despite the advances being made by his overwhelming army. They point out several reasons for this belief.

Following a council of military officials in the palace this morning, the following statement was given to the press by the war minister.

"There is no doubt in the minds of French officials but what in the

Belgian Troops Loading on Boats to Cross River



This photograph taken August 6th shows the Belgian troops loading on boats to cross the Meuse River near Liege to attack the German force. The troops got into several heavy boats, which were poled across the river. The sides of the boats were covered with sheet iron to prevent bullets from going through. In this way the Belgians ferried their troops over to make their stand against their enemies.

California Is Casting Primary Vote Today

United Press Service

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 25.—California is casting its primary vote today for the party ticket between which its electors must choose at the November state election. Despite a demand for a "short ballot," the ballot at this primary is several feet in length.

On it are the names of 770 candidates, and so many propositions that it takes an average of an hour to read them all.

Experts say it is the most cumbersome ballot in California's history, and probably in the history of the country. Candidates for the governorship nominations are:

Republican—John D. Fredericks,

To San Francisco.

Mrs. E. B. Hall left this morning for San Francisco, where she will spend a few days.

People living along the route of the Anthony and Northern railroad in Kansas, which runs north from Pratt to a junction with the Union Pacific, have built a road without issuing any bonds. None of the officers of the road receives any salary.

Los Angeles; Charles M. Belshaw, Antioch, and Francis J. Keating and William C. Ralston, San Francisco. Democratic—Fred H. Hall, Bakersfield; John B. Curtin, Sonora; Edward White, Watsonville; Sydney M. Van Wych Jr., San Francisco and Charles King, Hanford. Progressive—Hiram W. Johnson, San Francisco. Prohibitionist—Clinton P. Moore of Oakland.

Senatorial candidates are—Republican—Joseph R. Knowland, Alameda, and Samuel H. Shortridge, San Francisco. Democratic—James D. Phelan, San Francisco, and Thomas F. Griffin, Progressive—Francis J. Heney, San Francisco, and Chester H. Rowell, Fresno. Prohibitionist—Frederick F. Wheeler, Los Angeles.

ENGINEERS END THE WORK HERE

REPRESENTATIVES OF RAILROAD COMMISSION LEAVE FOR THE ROGUE RIVER VALLEY FOR FURTHER WORK

Engineer Green, who has been here for some time for the Oregon Railroad Commission, checking up the items on the inventory of the California-Oregon Power company's holdings here, has gone to the Rogue River Valley to carry on the work there. Other engineers left several days ago.

With the re-checking completed, the railroad commission is now in position to make an investigation as to the rates charged here, in accordance with a complaint filed by the city council, alleging the rates to be excessive. The rate investigation is based largely upon the physical valuation of the plant.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our most heartfelt gratitude to all of those who so generously assisted us in our hour of sorrow, caused by the death of our beloved husband and father. Mrs. A. P. Hutchins and Family.

LIGHTNING CUTS UP SOME CAPERS

IN ADDITION TO SETTING FIRE TO LOCAL HARDWARE STORE, STORM PUTS PART OF TOWN IN DARKNESS

While last night's rainfall was of short duration, the electrical storm at the same time made its presence much more felt. It was at 7:30 in the evening that someone noticed papers on the desk in the Hurn hardware store on fire, and only prompt work by persons nearby quenched the blaze in its incipency.

The telephone coil box was hot and the phone out of commission, and it is believed that lightning, striking the telephone wires, caused the blaze.

Residents in the vicinity of Teath and High streets were in total darkness from 9 o'clock last night, and it was not until late this afternoon that power was available there again. It was discovered this morning that the transformer was burned out.

DIRIGIBLE DROPS BOMBS--WRECKED

AFTER SEVERAL PEOPLE IN ANTWERP ARE KILLED AND BUILDINGS ARE WRECKED, OUTSIDE PORT WRECKS IT

ANTWERP, Aug. 25.—A huge Zeppelin dirigible appeared over the city late yesterday after the outlying forts fired at it and missed. The craft circled the palace three times, dropping bombs.

The attempts to wreck the palace were unsuccessful. Instead, the bombs hit nearby buildings, killing several people.

As the craft was returning to the German lines, the aeroguns at the forts at Hemixem, six miles from here, penetrated the gas envelope and wrecked the machinery. The crew of 25 men were taken prisoners when the craft descended.

Much value in little space is found in rare orchids. One sold in London the other day for \$7,500.

GERMANS CLAIM A BIG CAPTURE

WIRELESS FROM FOREIGN EM-BASSY AT WASHINGTON SAYS TEN THOUSAND MEN WERE TAKEN

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 25.—The Berlin foreign office wirelessly the German embassy here that the Germans have captured 10,000 French soldiers, including several generals. The Germans claim control of Longwy and most of the Belgian-Franco frontier.

The French embassy states that the French still hold Altkirch and Mulhausen.

BIG PHOTOPLAY IS MASTERPIECE

NINE REEL PRODUCTION OF "THE SPOILERS" IS THE BIGGEST WORK OF THE FOREMOST PHOTOPLAY MAKERS

Rex Beach's Alaskan romance, "The Spoilers," which has been filmed into a wonderful photoplay, consisting of three acts and nine reels, is the work of Wm. N. Selig, one of the men who pioneered the motion picture industry, which has risen to the rank of fifth place in the industries of the world in the past seventeen years.

Not only has Mr. Selig pioneered the industry, but he is continuing along the same lines, and in "The Spoilers" he has accomplished work that will live as a monument to him and to his untiring efforts to achieve a work of art for the benefit and betterment of man and woman kind.

"The Spoilers" tells not only a gripping, interest, pure love story, but is filled with action and incidents from start to finish that will live in the memory of those who witness it forever. This story and film exemplifies and typifies real red-blooded Americans.

This great film production of Rex Beach's great Alaskan story will be shown once only at Houston's opera house Sunday night.

BATTLE STILL RAGES

BELGIAN SORTIE DRIVES ADVANCE FORCES TO REAR

EXPERTS SAY RUSSIANS WILL INVADE BERLIN NOW

The Hague Estimates the Belgian Losses at 16,000 Killed and 55,000 Wounded—Allies on the Defensive, Following the Rushing to the Front of Fresh German Troops—British Troops Fight in the North.

United Press Service

THE HAGUE, Aug. 25.—It is estimated that 16,000 Belgian soldiers have already been killed and 55,000 wounded, many of them fatally.

United Press Service

PARIS, Aug. 25.—Germany resumed the offensive in the north at daylight, attacking the combined French and British forces. A strict censorship is being maintained, but along certain portions of the line the German forces are massed so heavily that further retrogression by the allies is to be expected.

The Belgian forces made a sortie from Antwerp to attack the rear of the German force, and surprised the first line of the German troops. The Belgians drove this force thirteen miles to Malines, where the Germans, being reinforced, again assumed the offensive.

The war office has not stated whether all of the forts around Namur surrendered. It promises a full statement.

With the fall of Namur and fresh Germans thrown into the attack, the allies on the defensive. The German line is fan-shaped, enveloping the Belgian-French and the German-French frontiers.

The war office says of the position: "The battle continues along the secondary lines of defense. The allies will hold this, while the Russians move in the direction of Berlin."

The war office announced a concerted German attack upon the French army in Alsace. This was directed from Colmar, and was repulsed with a heavy loss.

Recently a baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Byers of Coal Bluff, Ind., which had five teeth. Eighteen months ago a child was born to the same couple which had a full set of both upper and lower teeth.

FALL OF NAMUR ADMITTED TODAY BY THE ENGLISH

PAPERS URGE ALLIES TO WAR AS ON NAPOLEON

Capture of Namur Ends Hopes for a Speedy End to the Conflict, and as a Result, All Available Troops Are to Be Rushed to the Continent. Known That British and German Losses There Were Enormous.

United Press Service

LONDON, Aug. 25.—"England and France must stubbornly resolve that, come what may, they will not surrender to Germany. The allies must stick to Germany's terms as they did to Napoleon's, and pull Germany down in the end. As long as we hold the sea, we cannot ourselves be vitally struck by the enemy."

The above appeared in the Chronicle this afternoon, following the admission by the war office this morning that Namur, defended by the British, has fallen into the hands of the Germans.

The entire country is amazed at the fall of the city. The newspapers all admit that a real advance by the Kaiser toward Paris is probable.

With Namur taken has ended all hopes for the speedy end of the war. For that reason England is preparing to send all available troops to the continent to re-enforce the allies.

The newspapers loudly demand an explanation of the fall of the city. On this point the government is silent.

It is said that the British casualties are enormous. Officials say that when the losses by both sides are revealed, it "will startle the world."

Falls; Hurts Back.

Falling from a scaffold, John Coleman, a well known carpenter, Monday afternoon received a sprain and minor injuries to his back, that will keep him from his work for a couple of weeks.

Telegraph operators in the service of the Sunset Central and Southern Pacific lines, from New Orleans to Portland, Ore., have been ordered by John E. Cowgill, chairman of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, to take a strike vote on the question of a raise in wages.

Flowing Well Spouts Fish

Phenomenal Flow at Klamath Marsh Is Reported

Striking a heavy flow of water at a depth of about three feet sounds a little questionable, but add to that the water has a plentiful supply of small fish, and the incredulous person is in the majority. We have the word of Captain O. C. Applegate for the phenomenon, however.

The Captain returned Sunday from a trip to Fort Klamath and other northern points with Hon. Robert A. Douth. On his way back he stopped at Klamath Marsh, and there the fish well is located.

K. Loosley and Jack Felton, who have about 400 head of beef cattle near the Leu ranch, about two miles from Kokanalka Creek, found this summer that their well was getting dry, so they decided to sink another.

This was started a short distance from the old one.

At a depth of two feet a heavy flow of water was struck, from which there bubbled up water and mud, with numerous small fish. With a pole, probings were made to a ten-foot depth, when mud was again encountered. For this reason the pump was installed over a pipe reaching a depth of a little over eight feet.

"All are at a loss to account for the presence of the fish and the heavy flow of water," said the Captain today. "The theory mostly believed is that the well drillers struck an underground stream, which may have come down above ground from some mountain, sinking into the ground at some point, like Lost River, and rising again as springs, or in some other body of water."