

GERMANS BREAK FIRST LINE OF ALLIES' DEFENSE IN 3-DAY FIGHT

BELIEVED GREATEST FIGHT IN HISTORY OF THE WORLD

PARIS, Aug. 24.—The battle between the Germans and allies in Belgium has been raging for three days. The war office says the casualties already outnumber the losses in any modern battle. The fighting is desperate, and the loss is appalling, and it is hardly possible that the results will be known for several days more.

At some points the wall of the allies' defense has been broken, while in others the Germans have been driven back in confusion. The line of battle resembles a "Z", extending from Audenarde to Brussels, to Mons and thence to Namur. The length of the line is continually increasing.

If the German troops are routed, therefore, they are in danger of having their force cut in two.

Late tonight the war office refuses to discuss the situation at the front. There is no verification of the report that the Germans have broken through the allies' center.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—The press bureau tonight announced that the first line of the allies' defense was broken by the Germans, necessitating a withdrawal of a portion of the forces to the original position on the French frontier.

This withdrawal was said to be in accordance to the original plans for strategic reasons.

According to official announcement, the British expeditionary forces engaged the enemy early yesterday in the vicinity of Mons, and their line is still holding.

Experts agree that if the Germans are defeated in this battle they will be compelled to fight on the defensive hereafter.

The war office is silent tonight regarding the Belgian situation, which is considered critical. The public is warned that it must not expect too much.

Experts say that if the allies retire to secondary positions it will be merely a strategic movement.

England is rushing preparations to send more troops to the continent.

United Press Service

NISH, Aug. 24.—It is announced that Austria has abandoned her campaign against Serbia, following the Serbian victories at Drina. This may mean the sending of her troops to Belgian fields.

United Press Service

LONDON, Aug. 24.—Rome, Paris and other cities wire that Emperor Franz Josef is seriously ill. There is no confirmation from Vienna.

United Press Service

PARIS, Aug. 24.—It is announced that the Russians have repulsed the

German invaders from Miawa, and have invested Soldau.

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 24.—Secretary Redfield of the commerce department notified the German wireless station at Tuckertown, N. J., that it was operating contrary to law, and under penalty of forfeiture of apparatus. He ordered it closed.

United Press Service

PETERSBURG, Aug. 24.—General Rennenkamp, commanding the Russian advance in Prussia, reports:

"We hold the railroads, and have captured four cities. The Twentieth German corps was practically cut to pieces and several thousand men are prisoners."

United Press Service

ROME, Aug. 24.—The cabinet is in constant conference with the king, and it is feared Italy will be forced to war with Austria soon. The premier is determined to maintain neutrality if possible.

Auto Jaunt Interesting.

After having their car overhauled at the Central garage, H. T. Girdner, L. L. Collins and C. F. Metteer left here on their way toward Sacramento on a pleasure jaunt. The party left Sacramento August 14th for the Rogue River ranch, making the trip via Blason, Ashland and Medford. They came here via Crater Lake, and will go to Sacramento via Fall River Mills and Carbon, arranging to stay a week at the Carbon ranch for hunting and fishing. Mr. Girdner is a retired capitalist, and Mr. Collins is in charge of dredging operations of the Natomas Consolidated of California, the world's largest gold dredging company, while Mr. Metteer is a well known Sacramento attorney.

LONDON CROOKS IN MOVIE FILM

ORPHEUS ARRANGES TO SHOW A FIVE REEL FEATURE SUNDAY AND MONDAY—NOW ON AT THE TIVOLI

"In the hands of London Crooks," one of the most powerful stories of life in the underworld, will be presented in five reels at the Orpheus theater Sunday and Monday nights. This picture is creating a sensation at the Tivoli theater in San Francisco, where it is now appearing, and Manager Tindall looks for a big run here. The picture grips the attention of the spectator from the start, and the interest endures throughout the portrayal.

MT. LAKE NEWS

MT. LAKE, Aug. 24.—Mrs. L. A. West, son Gerald and little daughter Mary, returned home Sunday evening from a visit to Kansas, where they have spent the last three months with Mrs. West's parents.

The lecture at the Mt. Lake church was largely attended Sunday evening. A large number of stereopticon views were shown of the life of Christ, also illustrations of the slum work being done in Philadelphia. Mr. Avery gave an interesting talk about the work there.

John Johnson has returned from a camping trip.

Mrs. McLellan and daughter, Mrs. Hobson, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. McLellan.

Charles Dorr of Klamath Falls is visiting Austin Case for a few days. He expects to return to the Falls the first of the week.

The Shirtwaist Dancing Club has discontinued its Saturday night dances at Moose hall. There is a possibility that Messrs. Veghte, Miller and McCoy will hold a series of invitation dances on Friday evenings at Houston's opera house.

Andrew M. Collier, our fast rising young financier, will tomorrow evening forswear the juggling of shekels for a fortnight, while he visits relatives in Eugene.

The European war is boosting prices of Oregon products, and will stimulate many industries. One new industry, the manufacture of peppermint oil, will be established on a large scale.

Emperor Wilhelm and Aides in the Field Studying War Maps



From left to right—Emperor Wilhelm; Freiherr von Lyncker, chief of the kaiser's military staff; General von Moltke, chief of the general staff of the army.

This photograph shows Emperor Wilhelm actively engaged in the field studying war maps. That is just what he is doing now, according to reports that have come from Holland. It has been stated that he went south to

PUBLIC PEN IS LATEST MENAGE

CLEVELAND HEALTH OFFICER PUTS THE WRITING APPARATUS IN THE SAME CLASS WITH THE ROLLER TOWEL

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 24.—Beware of the public pen! As a spreader of disease it is in the same class with the roller towel and public drinking cup, and if health officers of Cleveland have their way, it will sink into oblivion along with its evil companions.

"Every person who nibbles a pen is likely to contract almost any disease, from tuberculosis down," said health officer Friedrich, in advocating an ordinance forbidding banks or business houses furnishing pens.

Will Elect Officers. Election of officers for the convention year, which begins in October, will be a feature of the meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance Union tomorrow at the Baptist church. This meeting will start promptly at 2 o'clock and the presence of all the members is desired.

Have Long Journey. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. I. Roberts have returned from a 1,500 mile auto trip in California. Leaving here they visited Crescent City, Eureka, Fortuna, Red Bluff, Sacramento and other points. They made the trip without any trouble.

The state highway campaign through Central Oregon will turn travel through the great interior, to the loss of the Willamette Valley counties.

COST OF FEATURE FILM ENORMOUS

NEARLY 150,000 DISTINCT PICTURES IN "THE SPOILERS," WHICH WILL SOON BE GIVEN AT THE OPERA HOUSE

When it comes to a pictorial production of Rex Beach's masterpiece of fiction, "The Spoilers," Wm. N. Selig gave carte blanche to all associated with the enterprise, to spare neither time nor expense to secure the best results possible.

Then began the work of most careful curtailment to reduce it to a normal size, practicable for an evening's entertainment. This scale finally settled upon nine reels, giving a grand aggregate of 144,000 distinct pictures, which seemed sufficient to cover the action of work from prologue to finale with a firm, spirited grasp upon scene and situation.

Primarily, a cast of unusual strength and calibre was secured, selected with a view to make the characters register impressively as soon as introduced. Studied care and unusual liberality was exercised to give the actual atmosphere and the real environment, so that the action should retain its integrity at all times.

Off to the Woods. D. C. Morris and Earl Chandler left today for the wilderness to spend their vacation time.

- Pronunciation of Names Made Prominent by War
- ◆ Aix La Chappelle—Aks-La-Sha-Pell.
 - ◆ Alsace—Al-Sass.
 - ◆ Bonhomme—Bon-Hom.
 - ◆ Cettinje—Che-Teen-Ya.
 - ◆ Charleroi—Shar-Leh-Vol.
 - ◆ Diest—Deest.
 - ◆ Genbloux—Zhom-Bloo.
 - ◆ Heligoland—Hel-Go-Lant.
 - ◆ Herzegovina—Heat-Seh-Go-Vee-Na.
 - ◆ Liege—Lee-Azh.
 - ◆ Montenegro—Mon-Ta-Na-Gro.
 - ◆ Namur—Na-Mur.
 - ◆ Sallee—Ze-Lah.
 - ◆ St. Trond—San Tron.
 - ◆ Shiermonnik Ogg—Sheer-Mon-Ik-Og.
 - ◆ Tirlemont—Teer-Leh-Mon.
 - ◆ Tongres—Tong.
 - ◆ Voges—Vosh.

STATE DEPT. SAYS JAPAN WILL KEEP FIGHT IN ORIENT

SAYS WILSON'S REMARK WAS A MENTAL SLIP

Counsellor Lansing is considering the publishing of the context of the Japanese Note to the United States, showing the intention of the Japanese regarding the spread of the field of conflict.

United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 24.—President Wilson told today that Japan failed to define her intentions beyond the announcement that she would take Kulu Chau from Germany, and had not assured America the conflict would be localized in the Chinese province.

United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 24.—State department officials say Wilson's statement this morning was a "slip of the mind."

Counsellor Lansing plans to publish statement covering the Japanese note, wherein Japan's intention to remain inactive outside of the Orient was generally understood to have been given.

The Japanese embassy here is anxious as to the whereabouts of the Japanese embassy staff at Berlin. No word has been heard from it since Saturday.

Visit in Dunsmuir. Mrs. M. E. Nelson and daughter, Miss Ora, left yesterday morning for Dunsmuir, where they will visit for several weeks with their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Kirkpatrick.

Up for Sunday. J. B. McAllister was here Sunday from Mt. Hebron.

Good for Porcelain Assayer Liljegang states that there are certain stretches of soil in this section that consists of kaolin and feldspar, and that it would be highly profitable to build a porcelain plant in the valley. There is an abundance of kaolin, according to Mr. Liljegang, and much feldspar, which serves as a flux, which imparts to porcelain its strength and translucency.—Medford Sun.

Agricultural Expert Needed An effort is now being made to secure the services of an agricultural expert for the farmers of Lake county, the need of which any one will scarcely deny. W. T. Eakin, formerly of Astoria, but now of Arrow, has undertaken the work of securing the expert, and to that end has been in correspondence with the heads of departments at the Oregon Agricultural College.—Lake County Examiner.

OAKLAND SWATS MAXIM SILENCER

HEAVY FINE TO BE IMPOSED ON POSSESSORS — INVENTION IS HELD TO BE A BIG AID TO THE CRIMINAL CLASSES

OAKLAND, Aug. 24.—The Maxim silencer, declared the means of many a noiseless murder, and one of the greatest of scientific aids to crime, has been declared unlawful in Oakland, and in future the possession of one of the appliances will be punishable by a maximum fine of \$375.

LIGHT HOG AND SHEEP OFFERING

LAST WEEK'S BEEF LIQUIDATION WAS FAIRLY GOOD—DEMAND FOR PORK WAS MUCH IN EXCESS OF SUPPLY

PORTLAND, Aug. 24.—Cattle liquidation was of fair volume last week. The market was about steady, top steers selling around 7 cents; cows, \$6; heifers, \$6.25; top on bulls, \$4.50.

There was an extremely light receipt of hogs for the week. Business was active and the outlet broad. Demand exceeded the supply, and the market held the highest position of any American market.

Fort Trims K. F. Gang

Both the Ball Game and the Bout Were Farcial

Fort Klamath 8, Klamath Falls 3. That's the way it looked on the Fort score board Sunday, when the county seat aggregation beat its back. And at that they have their hard luck story.

In the first place, neither of the regular pitchers were there, Brown being out in the woods and Foster otherwise employed. There was a shortage of ball players otherwise, and to make up a full nine the chauffeur of the machine used for the trip was conscripted, and forced to don a suit and play—making several errors that let in runs.

200 Pheasants Coming

Actual Distribution of Birds Here Is Under Way

Now that two years of experimental work has proven that the Chinese pheasant thrives in Klamath county, the state game department, through the Klamath Sportsmen's Association has taken up in earnest the work of introducing this great game bird in this vicinity. Toward that end, 200 pheasants are being shipped here to be liberated.

selected, and about twenty-five of the birds will be sent to each ranch to be liberated.

The ranches chosen are: William Tingley, Midland; Alex Davis, Midland; Charles Pickett, Sand Hollow; D. Ellis Young on Lost River; Rex Bord, Olene; Shook Ranch, Dairy; Jack Donnelly, Langell Valley; Charles A. Bunting, Merrill.

In addition, the ranchers will feed the birds, if necessary, this winter. The state fish and game commission provides for this by making an appropriation to purchase wheat for winter feeding. In addition, the ranchers and sportsmen will watch the birds as much as possible, in order to prevent any "pot-hunters" from frustrating the introduction plans by killing the birds before they have a chance to become accustomed to this section.