

# German Army Is Forty Miles From France's Capital

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PARIS, Sept. 3.—It is considered certain that the allies will be compelled to retire to Paris' fortifications. Already there is discussion as to the final line of occupation.

The next forty-eight hours will decide the fate of Paris.

The military is in complete control of the city today. The forts are all manned, and the city is under martial law.

As far as outward indications go, the final line will be advantageous to the allies. Roughly sketched, it will take the form of a "Z," extending northeast to near La Fere, and the other points at Rheims, Mezieres and Verdun.

Experts say such a line gives the allies material advantage in being entrenched with the angles supported by fortified positions.

This will compel the Germans to divide the forces and move against places having the greatest natural strength.

Despite the transfer of the capital to Bordeaux, the situation at the front is improving. The ferocity of the German assault on the allies left is diminishing, and it is insisted that the allies position is much stronger than it was three days ago.

Fresh troops have been sent there from the extreme right of the line. It is officially announced that a German aeroplane trying to bomb Paris was shot down near Compiègne, and two German officers killed.

It is believed that the invaders will strike at the northern line of forts. The Germans are within forty miles of here, but officials insist it will be impossible to isolate this city.

## AUSTRIANS RUN; RUSSIANS CHASE

DEMORALIZED LEGION BELIEVED TO BE PREPARING TO MAKE A SECOND STAND—MORE REINFORCEMENTS

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LATEST—VIENNA, (via Rome).—The Austrians after abandoning Lemburg were reinforced, and are again fighting the Russians. The battle is now raging over a semi-circular front from Russian Poland to the Dniester River. The Russian force is much the larger.

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ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 3.—The Austrian forces, completely demoralized after their disastrous eight-day fight near Lemburg, are retiring to the fortifications behind Lemburg. A second stand is expected at San River, with headquarters at Przomysl and

## Star Spangled Banner Centenary Celebration

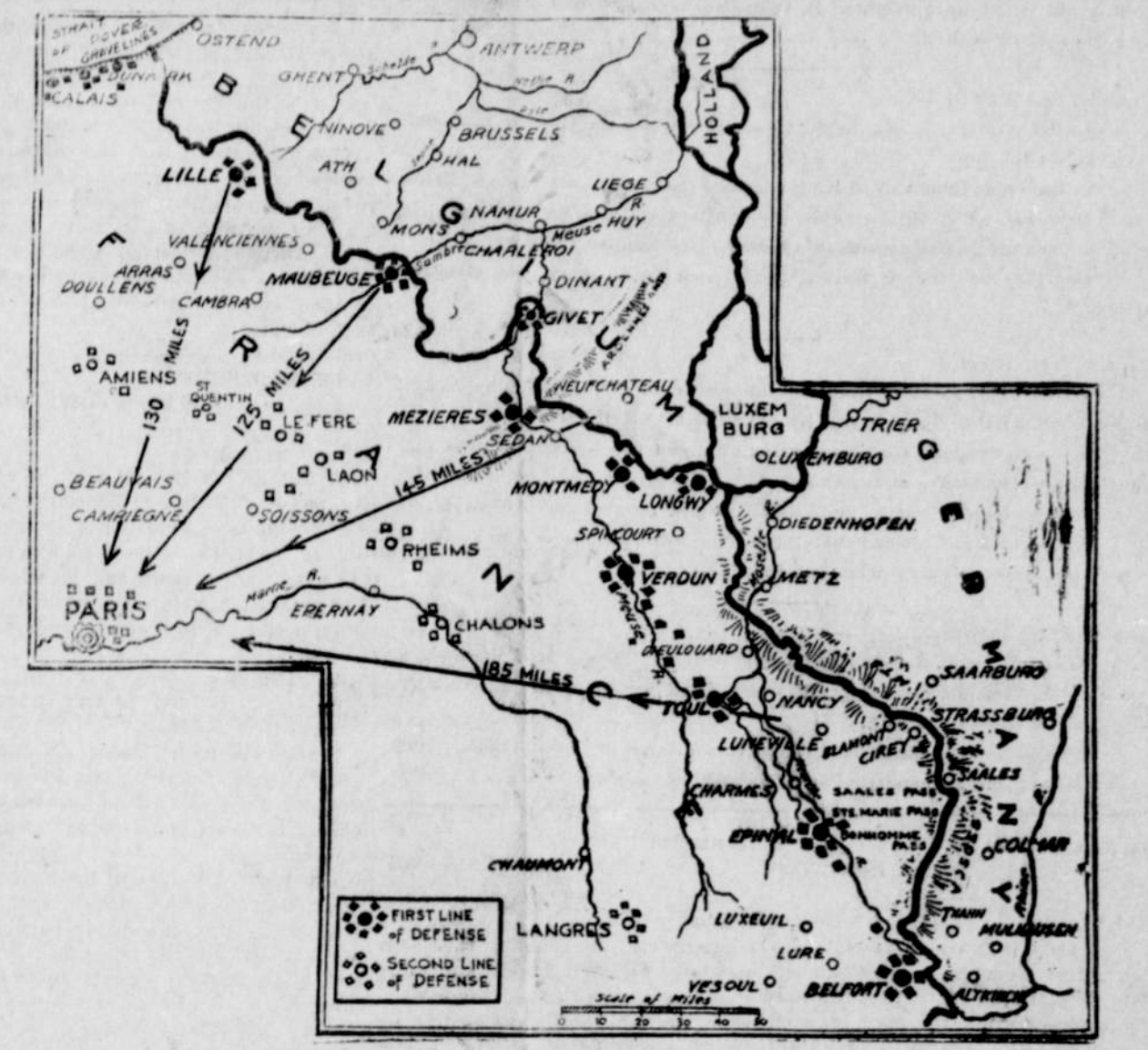
BALTIMORE, Sept. 3.—Baltimore today opened an elaborate program in the celebration of the centenary of the writing of "The Star Spangled Banner."

The range of the celebration will include Washington, Annapolis, Frederick and the whole of Chesapeake Bay, with the main program at Baltimore.

The program began today with a pilgrimage to war sites along the Patuxent River and to the grave of Dr. William Beanes, for whose release Key visited the British fleet.

It was while detained on the cartel ship that Key watched the bombardment of Fort Mifflin and was inspired to write "The Star Spangled Banner."

## First and Second Defenses of Paris and Lines of Rapid German March



There is no doubt in the minds of military experts that the rapid invasion of France by the German armies will cause alarm in the French capital within a few days. The French and English armies are believed to have fallen back on the first line of French defense—the forts extending from Calais on the north to Belfort on the south, including twelve or thirteen great fortresses as shown on the map, and some 140 fortified places of less military value. At this

## Germany Will Deny Charges

### (Herald Special Service)

BERLIN, (via The Hague), Sept. 3.—Germany is prepared to refute the charge of atrocities in Belgium. She is preparing to prove that German wounded were killed by Belgian non-combatants.

## Want America to Join in Protest

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ROME, Sept. 3.—Representatives of all political factions have petitioned the government to request America to join in the protest against Germany's alleged violations of the rules of war.

## Three Day Race Meet

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SYRACUSE, Sept. 3.—Coincident with the opening of the state fair here today, a three-day race meeting was started, with a six-race program scheduled for each day. The state fair stake, to which event \$5,000 has been added by the owners' fund, is the biggest event scheduled. It is a weight-for-age event at a mile and a quarter. The best horses in the East are entered, and this race is expected to settle definitely the question of the best horse of the year.

A revolver designed for the nervous woman to carry in her vanity bag is probably the smallest weapon of its kind in the world. From the tip of the hammer to the end of the barrel it measures about three inches, and it fires a steel bullet about twice the size of a pin's head.

# Officers Search for the Corpse After Sweating Williams

Before many hours elapse there is reason to believe that the body of Al McLeod, missing since August 23, will be located.

Early in the day, Frank Williams, who is held in connection with the disappearance, was taken into the sheriff's office, and was "sweated" for some time.

Late this afternoon Sheriff Low, District Attorney Irwin and others left in automobiles for the McLeod homestead, carrying picks, shovels and gum boots.

Regarding the developments at the questioning of Williams, the authorities remained silent today. Williams' voice, in hysterical tones, was heard outside the sheriff's office though his words were inaudible, and when he was returned to his cell, wracked with sobs, he was extremely weak, and clung to officers for support.

Although the officers refuse to talk, it seems certain that Williams made some admission that shows that he at least knows where the body is.

And there is reason to believe from this that the prisoner may have confessed to the killing of McLeod, holding that he did so in self defense, and that he buried the body and took possession of the ranch in the hope of convincing people that McLeod left.

That "Scotty" McLeod, whose whereabouts have not been discovered since a week ago last Sunday, August 23, has met with foul play seems practically established.

After putting Frank Williams, who was arrested on suspicion Tuesday, through a rigid examination this morning, it was certain that he has confessed to at least an implication in the doing away with McLeod. While the sheriff has refused to discuss the results of the examination at all, the actions of Williams while returning to the jail plainly showed that he had made a confession of some sort, and that he was throwing himself on the mercy of the officials. He showed signs of having wept, and clung to the sheriff all the way to the jail.

It was discovered Wednesday by the sheriff and deputy that an unknown person had been traveling back and forth from the McLeod place about the time McLeod disappeared. This man kept away from the farms

in that district, and up to today the office has been unable to discover who this man is. His actions at the time in seeming to make it a point to keep away from everybody aroused the suspicions of several who have since recalled his presence there.

The case as it stands at present is that McLeod has not been seen in this city or at his place since Sunday evening, August 23. At that time he was seen in company with Williams on the way to the ranch by several farmers living in that neighborhood. Afterwards Williams stated that the man with him was not McLeod, but a hobo he had picked up to go to work on the Drury place. Investigation shows that no such man went to work for Drury.

About 9 o'clock Sunday night, August 23, a man named Huntington and another farmer stopped at the McLeod place. Williams was there alone, as far as they knew.

The floor was wet, and Williams explained that McLeod had broken a bottle of whiskey on the floor, and had also spilled a bucket of water, and that he had just cleaned it up. These men say, however, that the floor had been scrubbed exceptionally clean.

Williams was very excited at this time. He also told the visitors that

## Venitian Cardinal Is Chosen as the Pope

(Rome Correspondent United Press)  
ROME, Sept. 3.—Cardinal Della Chiesa was today chosen as pope, succeeding the late Pius X. He was elected on the ninth ballot taken by the College of Cardinals.

Fifty-seven cardinals participated in the conclave.

The new pontiff has chosen the name of Benedictus XV. His coronation date will be set later.

The election of Della Chiesa is a tribute to the late pontiff and Cardinal del Val. He was assistant secretary of state, under the pontiff, and later cardinal and archbishop of Venice.

Prior to that time the new pope was archbishop of Bologna. Pope Benedictus XIV, elected in 1740, was also archbishop of Bologna.

The new pontiff is a strong foe of "modernism." Early in the present year he issued a strong denunciation of the tango and other modern dances of that type.