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GERMANS FLEE BEFORE RUSSIAN ADVANCE

The Czar's Troops Reported to be Sweeping all Before Them in Prussia---Have Already Occupied Several Important Towns---Namur Forts Still Holding Out

Belgian Operations are a Great Aid to the British-Franco Allies---The Lines Have Been Moved Back a Distance in the North---Japanese Attack on Tsing-tau Has Failed---Kaiser Decides to Abandon East and West Prussia---Canadian Troops at Valcartier Likely to Embark About September 15th---Turkey May Join With Germany

WAR SUMMARY

Paris Announces a new battle is being fought, Germans attacking from Maubeuge to Donon.
French and British are holding their adversaries near Givet
French Armies attack at Nancy and Laneville.
Gen. Joffre regains positions commanding roads commanding Ardennes Forest.
Muejhausen evacuated and all Alsace to be Abandoned by French, troops being needed on the Meuse.
St. Petersburg reports that Germans are virtually cornered by the Russian infantry in East Prussia.
Austria orders cruisers Kaiserin Elizabeth to join German fleet in Tsingtau and declares war on Japan.
Attack on environs of Antwerp renewed.
Belgrade severely damaged by Austrian bombardment which continues unabated,
Germans withdraw from frontier of Holland and Dutch mobilization ceases
Japan to exercise great caution in attacking Kiauchau to avoid sacrifice of life.

A GREAT AID TO ALLIES.
LONDON, AUG. 27.—THE FOLLOWING OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT HAS BEEN ISSUED AT ANTWERP, ACCORDING TO THE REUTER CORRESPONDENT THERE:
"THE BELGIAN OPERATIONS HAVE SUCCEEDED IN THE DOUBLE OBJECT OF DIMINISHING THE GERMAN ENTRENCHMENTS AND DRAWING THE GERMAN TROOPS ON THE LINE BETWEEN MALINES AND BRUSSELS AND THUS REDUCING PRESSURE ON THE FRENCH POSITIONS. WE HAVE COMPELLED THE FOURTH GERMAN DIVISION, WHICH WAS ADVANCING SOUTHWARD, TO RETRACE ITS STEPS. THE FOURTH BELGIAN DIVISION AT NAMUR HAS FULFILLED ITS TASK, ARRESTING THE GERMAN COLUMN AND ALLOWING THE BELGIANS TO RETIRE ON THE FRENCH LINE.
"THE NAMUR FORTS ARE STILL HOLDING OUT."

OCCUPY MARIENBURG.
PARIS, AUG. 27.—A REPORT WAS IN CIRCULATION THIS AFTERNOON THAT RUSSIAN TROOPS YESTERDAY OCCUPIED MARIENBURG IN WEST PRUSSIA, TWENTY-SEVEN MILES SOUTH-WEST OF DANZIG.
THIS NEWS HAS NOT BEEN CONFIRMED FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE.

RUSSIANS AT TARNOPOL.
ROME, VIA LONDON, AUG. 27.—A DESPATCH FROM BUCHAREST SAYS THAT THE RUSSIAN COLUMNS INVADING GALACIA HAVE RE-OCCUPIED TARNOPOL, AN IMPORTANT CITY EIGHTY MILES EAST SOUTHEAST OF LEMBERG, CAPITAL OF GALACIA. THE

diplomatic despatches here, to create a strong pro-German feeling.
The Turkish cabinet is wavering between a declaration of war and the preservation of neutrality.
The diplomatic representatives of the various powers are in constant conference with the government officials, Great Britain and Russia endeavoring to keep Turkey neutral. The German ambassador, it is understood, has intimated that while Germany wishes Turkey to remain neutral, he believed the Ottoman empire should mobilize to prevent an invasion by Russia.
Feeling is most acute over the entry into the Dardanelles of the German cruisers Goeben and Breslau, Great Britain, France and Russia not only requested ten days ago that if these ships were purchased by Turkey the crews be sent to either Germany or Austria, but promised safe conduct.
Today many of the German sailors are still on board and one hundred and fifty more are said to have been distributed among Turkish torpedo boats.
The British government is viewing this with much disfavor, and the situation has been aggravated by the inability of several English merchant ships to pass through the Dardanelles, even after the Grand Vizier had given the requisite permission. Subordinate officials disobeyed the instructions in a way as yet unexplained.
Great Britain has let it be known that if the Goeben and Breslau enter the Mediterranean with German crews aboard they will be fired upon by the English fleet.
Neither Great Britain or Russia, however, has assumed a threatening attitude diplomatically, hoping to remain neutral. A few days ago the Russian ambassador was requested to cease using the wireless on a Russian vessel in the harbor. He acquiesced, rather than bring on an issue with his government.
BERLIN PANICKY.
London, Aug. 27.—"Despite the German efforts to minimize the extent and importance of the Russian victories," says The Standard's Copenhagen correspondent, "the German public is apparently by no means satisfied of their security. A panic seems imminent in Berlin. Wealthy Germans already are leaving the city and hastening toward Scandinavia by way of Copenhagen. A number of these already have passed through this city."
P.E. ISLAND GIVES OATS.
Ottawa, Aug. 26.—Prince Edward Island today lined up with the other provinces which are making war contributions. The little province is giving 100,000 bushels of oats now; and will probably come back later with another gift. What the second contribution will be has not been made known to the government here. It may consist of horses.
BELGRADE DAMAGED
A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Nish says:
"The latest information received

here is that the bombardment of Belgrade is still more severe. Shells of large caliber are doing immense damage. Hardly one building remains undamaged. The palace has been partly burned. Another large building in the city has been struck by thirty five shells."
Cattaro, in Dalmatia, the most southerly Austrian port has been bombarded by the Allies' fleet, it is declared from Rome, and its defenses have been so battered that the governor has parleyed from terms of surrender. According to the story, the French and British fleet appeared off Cattaro so unexpected that there was no time for the Austrians to strew the Gulf of Cattaro with mines.
RUSSIANS ADVANCE IN GALICIA
In the north of Austria the Russians, have made some advances in the direction of Lemberg, in Galicia. As yet, however, there is no indication that the conflicts in that quarter are of serious nature.
Between Italy and Austria the situation has improved, it is believed. Premier Salandra has announced that there is no prospect of an immediate mobilization of the Italian Army, and that even if such a step should be taken it would not mean the abandonment of Italy's neutrality.
From Paris, by way of Rome, comes a report that Emperor Franz Josef of Austria has signed a decree ordering Vienna put in a state of defense. Travelers from Trieste state that the Austrians are concentrating for defense at Pola, the naval base, and at Sebenico. The population of the latter place has been sent inland. The Austrian fleet is declared to be still in the Fasana Canal, at Pola.
PARIS, Aug. 26, 11:50 p.m.—The official statement issued by the War Department tonight says:
"In the north the Franco-British lines have been moved back a short distance.
"In a general way, our offensive between Nancy and Vosges makes headway. Our right, however, has been obliged to fall back slightly in the region of St. Die."
ATTACKS ON TSING-TAU FAILS
New York, Aug. 26.—The Japanese attack on Tsing-Tau, the fortified port of the territory of Kiao-Chau has failed and the Japanese are preparing for a siege, according to a cable message received here today by Count Von Bernstorff, German ambassador to the United States, from the German embassy at Peking.
St. Petersburg, (via London), Aug. 27.—The Germans in the Elbing district of West Prussia, near the Vistula River, are fleeing westward before the Russian advance.
GIVE UP EAST AND WEST PRUSSIA
The Hague, (via London) Aug. 27.—The military correspondent of the Nieuwe Courant declares he is able to state on trustworthy authority that the Germans plan to abandon temporarily East and West Prussia and Pomerania to the Russians and withdraw slowly to the River Oder, where the main defenses of Berlin lie.
"Germany" according to the correspondent, "appears to have undertaken

BRITISH TROOPS WERE REMARKABLY COOL

In the Fighting at Mons They Showed the Cool, Methodical Efficiency for Which the British Army is Noted---Their Shooting Described as Wonderful---Took up Their Position Silently But Happily---Troops Did not Sing But Cracked Jokes ---The Wounded Taken to Paris

London, Aug. 21.—The correspondent of the Central News at Paris sends the following:
"I have been talking with British officers from the front, who tell of the wonderful coolness and daring of the British soldiers in the fighting around Mons.
"The shooting of the British infantrymen on the firing line was wonderful. Every time a German's head showed above a trench and every time the German infantry attempted to rush a position there came a steady withering rifle fire from the khaki-clad men lying in extended formation along the wide battle front.
"Their firing was not the usual firing of nervous men shooting without aiming; rather it was the calm and careful marksmanship of men on sees on English rifle ranges firing with all the artificial aids permitted to the match expert.
"When quick action was necessary the men showed no nervousness, no excitement; they showed cool, methodical efficiency for which the British Army is noted.
"If the British lost heavily, the Germans must have lost terribly. One of the German prisoners said: 'We had never expected anything like it; it was staggering.'"

NO SINGING BUT SOME HUMOR
"The British troops went to their positions silently, but happily. There was no singing, because it was forbidden, but as the men deployed to the trenches there were various sallies of humor in the dialects of the various English, Irish and Scotch counties.
"The Cockney was there with his 'Uncle Bill,' and every Irishman who went into the firing line wished he had money to buy a little Irish horse so that he might 'take a slap at them Uhlans.'
"As for the cavalry, the officers declare, their charges against the Germans were superb. They charged as Berserks might have done. They gave the Uhlans the surprise of their lives.
"With the close of the first series of combats between the British and Germans the scene of interest shifted to the Paris railway station, where the injured British soldiers were being taken. The landing of the wounded was all that could be desired. Everything was perfectly organized and without theatrical display.
"The station at the time was crowded with Americans who were on their way to England from Switzerland. The Americans joined with the French in cheering for the first arrivals of British wounded from the scene of the fighting. While the crowd awaited train after train rolled by, carrying fresh British troops to the front."

CARDINALS BLESS REGIMENT
"I witnessed a notable scene on the road between Bouloens and Paris. Two English Cardinals, Cardinal Bourne, Archbishop of Westminster, and Cardinal Gasquet, Abbott, president of the English Benedictines, were on their way from London to the Conclave at Rome.
"Their train stopped on a siding and by a curious chance a regiment of

British troops, which included in its ranks a large body of Irish Catholics, was drawn up alongside for a moment. The Cardinals leaned out of the window and gave the soldiers their blessing, which the Catholic soldiers, by spontaneous impulse, knelt to receive.
PRISONER ESCAPED FROM COUNTY JAIL
Frank Robinson Serving a Term for Vagrancy Made a Clean Get-away
Frank Robinson who was serving a three months term for vagrancy, escaped from the county jail last night having cut a hole in the floor in his cell, and after lowering himself to the basement, made his exit through one of the windows.
Two other prisoners were in the cell with Robinson and they informed Deputy Sheriff Timmins of the escape. The police were immediately notified and were kept busy searching the city from 1 a. m. until about 8 o'clock this morning. It is thought that Robinson has taken one of the roads out of the city and will likely remain under cover for a few days at least.
Robinson is about twenty-five years of age and has the reputation of being an exceptionally clever criminal. Prisoners at the jail state that he has been in the habit of telling how he had escaped from several prisons in both Maine and this province. He even went so far as to say that he had never served a full term in a jail, but on every occasion had managed to escape and to cover up his tracks.
When he appeared before Police Magistrate Limerick on the charge of vagrancy about two weeks ago Robinson stated that he thought he belonged to St. John, and it is altogether likely that the police at that place will be notified to be on the lookout for him.
BANKS CONTRIBUTED
The Canadian Bank of Commerce and the Royal Bank of Canada have each contributed \$50,000 to the Canadian Patriotic Fund.
HELD SUCCESSFUL PICNIC
The Celestial League Baseball Club Old Government House grounds last held an enjoyable festival on the evening, there being a fairly large attendance. Donovan's band paraded to the grounds and furnished an excellent programme for dancing. It is understood that upwards of fifty dollars was realized from the affair.
FLOUR PRICE ADVANCE
Local wholesalers announced today that the prices on Purify and Five Roses brands of flour have advanced forty cents per barrel, making the retail price now \$7.80 per barrel.
Mr. L. J. Gallagher of St. John, is registered at the Barker House.

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