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GERMANS HAVE THE CITY; BELGIANS HOLDING FORTS

THE FRENCH ARE ADVANCING THEIR SEASONED VETERANS TO THE GERMAN FRONTIER

NEWS IS BUT SCATTERING

The Occupation of the City of Liege By the Germans Gives No Great Annoyance to the Belgians Who Hold the Almost Impregnable Approaches to Brussels

Diplomatic relations between France and Austria have been broken and the ambassadors have left the capitals.

A French foreign office statement says the initiative was taken by France because Austria troops were aiding the Germans.

The French are advancing in Alsace, but against what opposition is not known.

The Germans occupy the city of Liege, while the Belgian troops hold the forts. The Belgian official review is that the situation is quite satisfactory.

Strong forces guard all the approaches to Brussels.

The Austrians before Serbia are bombarding Belgrade, while part of the Serbian army is taking the offensive in Bosnia.

The North Sea is again closed to the fishing fleets which is regarded as significant in view of the fact that there are large British and German fleets in that water.

The German cruiser Karlsruhe, which arrived at San Juan, Porto Rico, reported an engagement Friday night on the Bahamas with four French and British cruisers.

The French government forbid publication of the French casualties list, so that Germans may not know the movement of the French troops.

All Germans and Austrians in Belgium must declare themselves within 24 hours or they will be arrested as spies.

No Decisive Battle Has Yet Been Fought

(By Associated Press.)

London, August 10.—No great battle has yet been fought on land or sea in the war of seven nations, unless the German assaults upon the fortresses at Liege eventually assume the proportions of battle in history. Both combatants claim victory there, with the Belgians still holding the forts and the Germans occupying the city. The situation is unique. There is no confirmation of the Daily Mail's report that the French have engaged the Germans and cut off their retreat, inflicting a loss of 8,000 men. The Belgians claim that they have taken 8,000 prisoners on Belgian soil, but military men regard all the estimates of the belligerents as great exaggerations.

Apart from Liege the fighting of the first week when resolved to the proper perspective eventually, doubtless, will be considered insignificant.

One of the most important developments in the eyes of experts is the general testimony that the German infantry formation is obsolete and ineffective against the weapons of today and means an enormous slaughter if retained.

France and Austria finally are officially at war, the ambassadors having left the respective capitals. The French governments broke off diplomatic relations with Austria on the grounds that Austrian troops were reinforcing the Germans.

Austria appears to have abandoned the advance on Serbia for a time and apparently is co-operating with Germany in the supposed strategy of attempting to crush France before Russia can mobilize.

Financial conditions in England are returning to normal. Although there is a great disorder in many trades the prices of foodstuffs have risen only slightly.

CENSORSHIP OF PRESS IS SCORED

Thousands Spent By American Newspapers Wasted in Consequence of British Censorship

London, Aug. 10.—Cass P. O'Connor, the Irish Nationalist, today in the House of Commons again attacked the press censorship established by the British government. He said thousands of dollars spent by American newspapers had been wasted in consequence of the censorship, and suggested that trained newspaper men be added to the staff of the censorship bureau.

The Rt. Hon. Charles Hobhouse, speaking on behalf of the postoffice authorities, disclaimed any responsibility for the censorship, over which he said the war office exercised full control. He said it was his duty to control the censor. He was ready to do what he could in the matter.

DREW FIRST BLOOD

Birmingham, August 10.—The admiralty has informed the mayor of Birmingham that the cruiser Birmingham, which was put in commission last February, sank the first German submarine of the war—the U-15.

STEAMER HEADED TOWARD HALIFAX

White Star Liner, Olympia, Is Sighted At Sea—Destination Not Determined

New York, Aug. 10.—While sixty miles off Sandy Hook late yesterday the British tank steamer Wapello, which arrived here today, sighted the Olympia, of the White Star line, which left New York yesterday, without passengers, apparently headed for England. From the course the Olympia was following the captain of the Wapello reported, she seemed to be steaming along a course which would take her toward Halifax, where several of the White Star fleet have put in recently. Officers of the line denied the Olympia was going to Halifax.

There is now in this harbor one of the largest oil tank fleets ever assembled here. The tankers stretch from Tompkinsville out to Quarantine, apparently afraid to put in while foreign cruisers lurk in the Atlantic. They are British and German ships for the most part, each carrying thousands of tons of oil. Several tankers which left here before war was declared are said to have been requisitioned by the British government as fuel carriers in the North Sea. The number of applicants at the municipal employment exchange for jobs has increased considerably since foreign reservists stranded here have been unable to find a way to get abroad.

SAD JOURNEY OF PRESIDENT

SPEEDING SOUTH ON A SPECIAL TRAIN WITH LOVED ONE

NATION MOURNS

Beautiful Floral Tributes From Every Nation and Half Masted Flags Proclaim Sympathy

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, August 10.—Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States tonight was making the saddest journey of his life. In a special train bearing the body of Mrs. Wilson to its final resting place beside the graves of her father and mother, he was on the way to Rome, Ga., with his daughters and a few members of his own and his wife's families.

The last simple ceremony of the funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon in the quiet wooded cemetery of the Georgia town. Then the president will turn again to the burdens of his office and the loneliness of the white house.

At Half Mast.

While flags drooped at half mast throughout the capital today and thousands gathered in the wide avenue before the closed gates of the white house grounds the first service was held over Mrs. Wilson's body in the east room. The flags, the crowds, the closing of the government departments in the afternoon and the masses of flowers which overflowed the east room, were the nation's only way of expressing its sympathy.

In accordance with Mrs. Wilson's wish, the service was of the simplest. There was no music; only the reading of a few verses from the Bible, a prayer by the Rev. Sylvester Beach, of the church which the Wilson family attended during their years in Princeton, N. J., and a benediction by the Rev. J. H. Taylor, at whose church the president has worshipped since he came to Washington.

Few Were Present. Less than 200 were present. Besides the family there were a few intimate friends, the members of the cabinet and their wives, the committee from the senate and house, headed by the vice president and the speaker, and the employes of the white house.

The casket was borne from the white house by six members of the city police force who have guarded the home of the presidents for years. There were no honorary pallbearers.

Few saw the funeral party pass on its way to the union station, where the train awaited it. The drive was made over less frequented streets and only three closed automobiles bearing the president and a dozen men, relatives and close friends of the family, followed the hearse.

As the party drew up before the state entrance of the station, a violent thundershower began. Within the station a crowd had gathered that taxed the great structure to its limits. Outside thousands more braved the drenching rain, to stand in silent sympathy. Passing through a lane walled by humanity, the casket was carried to the waiting train. On it rested a single wreath, the last gift of the president and his daughters.

Close behind walked the president with a secret service agent beside him. They followed his companions walking three abreast. At the train they halted as the casket was carried into the car, and stood in silence afterward until the president's three daughters and his sons-in-law arrived. The members of the family then entered the private car in which the casket had been placed. Tonight as the train sped southward they shared the sad vigil. Other members of the party rode in special cars and a baggage car carried part of the floral pieces.

Beautiful Floral Offerings.

Among the flowers at the white house were many elaborate designs. Washington florists were called upon as never before. Orders came by cable and telegraph from every part of the world. Scarcely a capital of the world or a city of the United States was unrepresented. A great blanket of orchids sent by the democratic club of Baltimore was carried by air mail. Only a small part of the flowers could be sent with the

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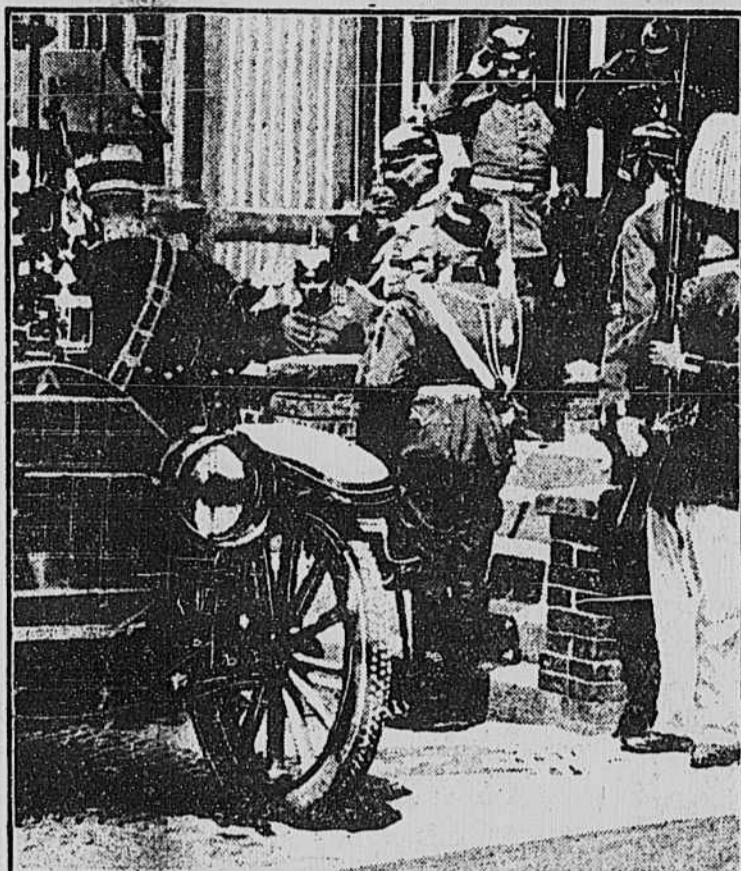


Photo by American Press Association.

Kaiser After War Conference

This striking photograph of the war lord of Europe was taken in Berlin just after the Kaiser had concluded a talk on war plans with the members of his war board. The photographer caught the Kaiser as he was about to enter his automobile.

COTTON MONEY IS PROMISED

SENATOR SMITH'S PLAN TO USE THE VREELAND ACT

GETS AN OVATION

The Junior Senator Was Well Received In His Home County Monday

(Special to The Intelligencer.)

Bishopville, August 10.—The important feature of the campaign meeting today was the declaration by Senator E. D. Smith that he had returned from a conference with administration officials in Washington, and that John Skelton Williams, comptroller of the currency, would hold a conference with W. G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury, and make a close scrutiny of the Vreeland-Aldrich currency act to ascertain if a large sum of money out of the treasury could be distributed to the banks of the south both state and national, in order that the farmer may hold his cotton crop until the market is normal. If the measure does not allow such an interpretation, an amendment allowing such distribution will be drafted immediately and given to congress for passage, declared Senator Smith. His address dealt almost wholly with the results of the "cotton conference" held in his office in Washington Sunday.

L. D. Jennings the only other candidate appearing at the meeting, excoriated the pardon record of the governor, and the speaker contrasted the consistent protestations of the governor, who, Mr. Jennings stated, set himself up as the champion of "the womanhood of South Carolina" while he extended executive clemency to those violating the virtues of womanhood.

Wore White Blossoms.

The crowd today numbered approximately 1,500 persons, a number of whom were women. Although a demonstration had been planned for the governor, about 80 per cent of the audience wore the cotton blossom. However, there were some 500 at the depot adorned with red badges awaiting the arrival of the chief executive whose train was delayed because of a freight wreck near Columbia.

After the campaign meeting had adjourned, a telegram was read from the governor stating that he was unable to attend, being prevented by the accident.

W. F. Pollock of Cheraw was also absent. He telegraphed that he was unable to attend and sent his greetings to the audience.

The meeting was called to order this morning in the ball park by W. L. Parrott, county chairman, and mayor of Bishopville. After an invocation from Rev. D. M. Wallace of Sumter, the first speaker, Senator Smith, was greeted with a crash of cheers as

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GERMANS LOSE ANOTHER BOAT

NORTH GERMAN LLOYD STEAMER CAPTURED BY THE BRITISH

WARSHIPS ARE NEAR

War Dog of Unknown Nationality Chases the Liner Minnetonka Into Port

New York, Aug. 10.—While incoming liners today brought confirmation that foreign warships are cruising off the American coast, strict censorship over the cables from Bermuda perhaps kept hidden from public knowledge the fate of North German Lloyd steamer Kronprinz Wilhelm, which took 6,000 tons of coal out of this port under cover of darkness last week before the battleship Florida began its enforcement of the neutrality laws.

A Prize of War.

The British cruiser Essex has captured the German liner and is taking her, prize of war, into Hamilton, Bermuda, according to wireless messages declared to have been overheard at sea.

The Associated Press correspondent at Bermuda indicated in a cryptic dispatch that he had information which he had not been allowed to communicate by cable. This message came in response to one informing the correspondent of the reported capture of the Kronprinz Wilhelm.

Embargo on Wireless.

Port authorities put into effect more rigid enforcement of the neutrality laws today almost simultaneously with the arrival of the Atlantic transport liner Minnetonka with the story that a warship, nationality not learned, had pursued her during the closing hours of her voyage to American waters. An embargo was placed on the wireless apparatus of every foreign ship in New York harbor. This step was taken after the authorities began to suspect foreign cruisers at sea might be communicating with ships of their nationality in port.

The chase of the Minnetonka ended today only after the ship steamed into the three-mile neutrality zone in the vicinity of Nantucket. Three days out from Liverpool the Minnetonka flying a British flag, was informed by wireless by the White Liner Oceanic on her way to England, that a state of war existed.

Last night the Minnetonka failed to disclose by wireless her identity to a warship which asked it. With her port holes blanketed and electric wires to every state room cut, the Minnetonka sped through the fog and a few hours later lost sight of her pursuer's searchlights.

Unable to Leave.

Thousands of German and Austrian reservists remain stranded here, unable to find means of transportation homeward. The Holland-American

European War Bulletins; Latest News of All The Important Happenings

(By Associated Press.)

Great Battle Imminent.

Brussels, August 11. Via London.—3.40 a. m.—The lull in the fighting around Liege since Saturday appears to be the lull before the storm. There is little doubt that an engagement on a scale not yet witnessed in this war is imminent.

A Valuable Prize.

London, August 11.—4.10 a. m.—The Hamburg-American line steamer Cap Ortegai, with \$5,000,000 in specie aboard, has been captured by the British, according to the Daily Mail. The liner sailed from Buenos Ayres, July 16th for Southampton.

War Is Not What Sherman Said.

London, August 10.—As a result of the war King George today through Reginald McKenna, home secretary, ordered the release of all militant suffragettes in prison for breaches of the peace. Mr. McKenna made this announcement in the house of commons.

London, August 11.—The North Sea is closed to fishing fleets again today.

London, August 11.—A telegram to the Daily Mail from Belgium says that the French troops arrived in time to participate in the success of the Belgians over the German army investing Liege. This authority reports that the Germans lost 8,000 killed and wounded and 1,700 captured.

Washington, August 10.—Secretary Bryan today announced that he had received an acknowledgment of President Wilson's tender of good offices from Austria-Hungary, England and France.

Paris, August 11.—Detachments of the famous veteran Turco war troops from French Algeria today penetrated upper Alsace.

Home Rule Bill In Soak.

London, August 11.—Parliament adjourns for a fortnight. Premier Asquith stated that he hopes in the meantime to have something in the way of a proposal on home rule that will be acceptable to all.

France Versus Austria.

Paris, August 10.—France has officially broken off diplomatic relations with Austria-Hungary.

The War In Mexico.

Laredo, Texas, August 11.—General Carranza has left San Luis Potosi to take entire command of the constitutional army.

GERMAN SPIES INVADE BELGIUM

Six Hundred Have Been Captured And One Hundred Have Been Executed

(By Associated Press.)

Brussels, August 10.—Brussels has been covered by a net work of German spies. Six hundred already have been arrested and one hundred were shot today.

Some of the Germans captured wore uniforms of gendarmes, civic guards, soldiers and officers of the Belgian army.

Many were armed with bombs and revolvers and rode in automobiles bearing false numbers. They also had in their possession telegrams and letters with the counterfeit signature of the Belgian minister of war.

Just before and after the fighting began private signs were discovered on bridges, military works and aqueducts indicating that those structures would be blown up.

Several precautions have now been taken by the military authorities. No one is admitted at the railway stations without a military permit. Automobiles are halted at every mile.

The war minister has issued a proclamation that every German and Austrian who does not declare himself within 24 hours will be considered a spy. Since the Flanders provinces were placed under martial law two days ago more than 2,000 have been arrested as spies.

Forty thousand volunteers have been enrolled and have been formed into twenty regiments of two thousand each.

The train service between Brussels and Paris was resumed this morning.

Line Steamship Rotterdam, carrying 1,500 Dutch reservists, sailed today for Amsterdam. The Lloyd-Italiano Steamship Company announced that its ship Caserta would sail Thursday for Italian ports, carrying reservists of any nationality who seek passage. The Lamport and Holt Line announced resumption of sailings of its ships to Brazil and Argentine ports beginning Thursday.

Collector of the Port of London, before starting for Philadelphia today to confer with the port authorities there regarding the neutrality laws, issued an order to the customs inspectors urging the exercise of sympathetic judgment of revenue statutes in the examination of Americans and others returning from Europe.

GOVERNMENT TO HANDLE COTTON

New Scheme Proposed for Federal Supervision in Marketing the Cotton Crop

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, August 10.—Complete revolution in the methods of cotton marketing was proposed today as a means of relief from depression threatened by the closing of foreign markets during the European war. The plan was also laid before the house agricultural committee by experts of the department of agriculture. It contemplates government supervision of marketing, federal standardization of grades, and establishment of a system of warehousing to make baled cotton a solid basis for credit to growers and enable them to finance their crops until advantageous arrangements can be made for marketing.

C. J. Brand, chief of the division of markets suggested the scheme be put in operation through the Lever cotton grades bill now before the house committee. This bill provides for federal supervision of cotton grading amendments to enable the government to license cotton warehouses where crops could be stored. Under such conditions he said the new federal reserve board would be able to make cotton in the warehouses the basis of ample credit to growers.

The committee tomorrow will hear cotton men of the south on the proposed scheme and will ask them for suggestions. E. J. Watson, commissioner of agriculture of South Carolina today began organization of a committee of growers and manufacturers to present the views of the southern cotton man.

Heat Prostrations.

(By Associated Press.)
New York, August 10.—Heat today caused the death of three persons in New York. Nearly a dozen others were overcome. The temperature did not exceed 85 degrees, but the humidity was high.

ROYALTY KILLED.

London, August 11.—A Brussels dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company says among the Germans killed in assault on Liege were Prince William of Lippe and his son.

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