

DECLARATION BY ITALY EFFECTIVE IN FEW DAYS

causing the retirement of a portion of the British force from the line of operations on the Sambre.

In addition, the German troops, as an offset to the attack of the allied army at Mons, invaded French territory in great numbers, capturing Lunéville, where 150 guns were seized; Amance and Dieulouard.

An unconfirmed report from Paris says that Nancy, the capital of the Department of Meurthe-et-Moselle, a city of 103,000 inhabitants, has fallen into the hands of the Germans. At all events, it is known earlier that an attack was being made on the city. Otherwise the French front has not been modified.

FRENCH ARMY ROUTED.

Berlin despatches say that a French army at Neufchateau was routed by the German army under command of Grand Duke Albert of Wuertemberg, seizing many guns, flags and prisoners, including several generals, and that Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, Crown Prince Wilhelm and Grand Duke Albrecht are hotly pursuing the retreating French.

The crown prince and his men are said to have pursued the French past Longwy. The German troops west of the Meuse are advancing against Maubeuge, according to late advices, and have routed a brigade of English cavalry.

FRENCH ARMIES ADVANCING.

France is advancing three armies to offset the attacks of the German forces. One army is moving from Wavre, Belgium, to meet the Germans at Neufchateau, where Berlin reports a victory for the kaiser. A second is advancing from Sedan to check the Germans invading France from Luxembourg. The third is proceeding from Chimay, Belgium, to support the French and British in the fighting about Mons.

The French troops defeated near Lunéville by the Germans in huge force consisted of five army corps. The German crown prince led the victorious troops.

The German armies are now massing on the right bank of the River Meuse, having forced their way into France across the Luxembourg line. They are moving quickly forward. The French declare they have been successful in the fighting in upper Alsace, upon the Vosges range, and along the River Meurthe, where, it is asserted, the kaiser's men are now held in check.

NAMUR STOUTLY HOLDS OUT.

Paris despatches stated that Namur is stoutly holding out against a most persistent attack on the part of the Germans.

The news of the British troops engaged at Mons reveals at last the position of the English soldiers, whose whereabouts had been a mystery to the world at large since the completion of landing of expeditionary force on Aug. 18.

ENTIRE GERMAN ARMY ENGAGED.

It is apparent that the kaiser has hurled his entire army of 2,000,000 men, active and reserve, against the French and British, in an effort to break thru the lines of the allied armies and force an entrance farther into France in his haste to get his army actively engaged in French territory before the arrival of the Russian hosts.

Belgian cavalry is harassing the Germans, and already has annihilated a detachment of Uhlans.

ANOTHER TROPHY ADDED.

Paris, Aug. 24.—A despatch from Belfort, France, says that a German biplane captured at Cernay has been added to the 22 guns and other trophies to be placed at the base of the Alsace monument. The Russians now occupy territory 25 miles wide on the German frontier.

RUSSIANS ROUTE GERMAN FORCE.

The war office has announced officially that the German force which invaded Russia, and which was reported to have occupied Miawa, has been routed by the Russians, and that the latter are investing Soldau, which is 100 miles south and 12 miles east of Koenigsberg. This movement is believed to indicate that the Russian advancing army of invasion extends along a front of nearly 100 miles. The Germans are also reported in the official bulletin to have evacuated Vilenburg.

Paris is pleased over the reported success of the Russian troops in east Prussia. The war office of this says that they are hopeful that the allies will check the Germans in Belgium until they are obliged to withdraw troops to aid their forces now operating against the Russians.

NO COMMENT IS WANTED.

The war office has issued the following communication to the press in answer to a growing feeling of uneasiness caused by the reports that the allies have to the French army:

"Our armies, facing their objective points, were all let go yesterday, taking everywhere a resolute offensive against the enemy's forces along the Moselle River, and as far as Mons, in a general battle. They are now completely engaged, and comment may be left to the combatants themselves."

MORE RUSSIAN GAINS.

Advices reaching here by way of St. Petersburg state that the Russians, in addition to holding Gumbinnen and Insterburg, now have captured Ortelburg and Johannsburg in eastern Prussia.

The report adds that the 20th German army corps has been cut up.

JAPANESE BOMBARD PORT.

TOKIO, Aug. 24.—Tsingtau, a German possession and port, is under bombardment by three Japanese squadrons, and the Japanese, British, French and Russian warships at the same time are combining in a blockade of that port. Forty-five thousand Japanese will be landed to seize the territory of Kiaochow, owned by Germany.

CAN STAND LONG SIEGE.

On Sept. 3 the diet will convene, and at that time a war loan doubtless will be voted. The belief is general here that the Germans at Kiaochow will resist to the last, as the place is strongly fortified, and there are provisions enough on hand to permit the inhabitants to withstand a siege of eight months.

Communication between Japan and China has been cut off for over 24 hours. It is thought the cable has been severed. There is not much war excitement, the people calmly discussing the various phases and the probable outcome. The newspapers are filled with cheering messages for the army and navy.

AUSTRIANS LOSE AGAIN.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—A Cetinje despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company says that the Montenegrin troops, with a bayonet charge, have repulsed a fresh Austrian attack at Rahovo, taking 150 prisoners and killing 300 Austrians.

Experts say "impossible."

LONDON.—A Times despatch from St. Petersburg says that military observers there have made a careful comparison of the distribution of the German forces on both fronts, from which they gain the belief that it is not possible for the Germans to overcome the allied forces on the western frontier at vital points.

Tribute is Punishment.

LONDON.—The Daily Mail's Rotterdam correspondent quotes an article from the Cologne Gazette in justification of the fines levied on Brussels and Liege, and says the tribute is a punishment for the bad treatment of the Germans by the Belgians, who handed over the city to the tender mercies of mobs.

Japanese Liner Sails.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Japanese liner Shinyo Maru sailed for the Orient. It is supposed she will be joined at sea and conveyed by the cruiser Izumo, which preceded her late Saturday. Somewhere between this port and Japan are the German cruisers Leipzig and Nürnberg.

Aquitania's Bows Damaged.

LONDON.—The Cunard liner Aquitania, now in the government service, anchored this evening at the Mersey bar with her bows damaged, according to a Lloyds despatch from Liverpool.

Express Regret.

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TWIN BOYS LEAVE FOR QUEBEC CAMP

Ernest and James Crossland Are Nineteen—Both Ridley Graduates.

No Toronto parents are making a greater sacrifice to the interests of Great Britain in the present time of stress than those of Ernest and James Crossland, whose twin sons, Ernest and James, left for Valcartier with H Company, Queen's Own Rifles. The boys are 19 years of age and are both graduates of Ridley College, St. Catharines.

Against the wishes of their parents both boys went, because, as Mr. Crossland put it, they thought they would not be doing their share if both stayed at home while the empire was in danger. And there was no way of deciding which should go.

Their father is second vice-president of the Steele, Briggs Seed Co.



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MORE TROOPS ARE NOW ORDERED EAST

Second Detachment of Queen's Own Rifles Will Leave Tomorrow.

HIGHLANDERS TO GO

Grenadiers Are Among Those to Entrain Friday for Camp at Valcartier.

More of Toronto's young men in the military will leave for Valcartier this week. Tomorrow the second detachment of the Q. O. R. and those recruited in the mechanical transport division, will leave and the 48th Highlanders will go on Friday along with 10th Royal Grenadiers and the second detachment of the Army Service Corps.

After the first division of the Army Service Corps left last week, many of the men who were left behind joined the ranks of other regiments and will now have to be replaced. Those who did not change have been drilling each night at the armories. Some have gone back to work and it is said that they are not willing to leave their positions a second time.

Drilling at Barracks.

At the present time the 9th Field Battery, with the 18th Cavalry Field Ambulance, are stationed at Stanley Barracks. The 9th Field Battery are over strength, but it is said the spare men will be placed in another company at Valcartier. These two corps have been drilling at the barracks during the past few days. The 9th Cavalry will leave for Valcartier till sufficient horses have been obtained.

The Royal Canadian Engineers and the Permanent Army Service Corps are now in Toronto, will probably be sent to Halifax and will form part of a permanent force. The R. C. E. are at Halifax now.

Leave Tonight.

The 8th Battery of the Canadian Field Artillery, now stationed at Stanley Barracks, will leave for Valcartier at 9 o'clock this evening, instead of on Friday. They will board the train at the Exhibition siding.

The 19th Field Ambulance Corps have received orders to go back to Hamilton and the 48th Highlanders have been ordered to secure about 300 more recruits at Long Branch rifle ranges.

The "Airship" is Jupiter

Hundreds of people in the east end of Toronto were alarmed last night at what they thought was an airship floating in the sky south of the city. Scores telephoned to the World Office asking if it had been reported at the office. The "airship" has been seen for several nights.

An astronomical authority was asked to investigate and at once replied that the bright light was shed by the planet Jupiter, which is in the ascendant and very brilliant just now.

JAPAN WILL KEEP FAITH WITH CHINA

Consul-General for Canada Says War is to Preserve Peace.

TO RESTORE KIAOCHAU Ultimatum Sent to Germany Identical With That Sent to China.

Canadian Press Despatch. OTTAWA, Aug. 24.—The Japanese consul-general for Canada, Mr. Yada, gave to the press this afternoon an official statement, inspired from Tokio, explaining Japan's reasons for intervention in the war, and the Pacific ends in view in conserving the integrity of China and territorial and commercial interests in the Orient, common to the United States, Great Britain and all other nations.

"Japan and Germany are about to engage in war in the China Sea, because:

"1. Such action is absolutely necessary in the interests of lasting peace in the far east.

"2. Under the provisions of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, Japan is in honor bound to take measures in cooperation with her ally. That Japan has no other motives than those set forth above, is shown by: The declaration in the ultimatum to Germany that Kiaochow will be restored to China; the long proclamation of Japan to supervise the integrity of China and to maintain the open door; and the declared intention to restore Kiaochow is another proof.

"The provisions of the treaty of alliance with Great Britain, which specifically the Hay principles of the integrity of China and the 'open door.'

"It is a matter of regret to Japan that Germany did not comply with the terms of the ultimatum and evacuate Kiaochow. Had this been done, war would have been avoided. Following the ultimatum to Germany, the Japanese evacuated Port Arthur in accordance with the counsel of Germany, aided by Russia and France.

"The ultimatum to Japan sent to Germany was identical with that which Germany handed to Japan. Japan accepted the advice of Germany. Germany has refused to follow Japan's example, and has thereby precipitated the conflict.

"The world will see that Japan's word, when given, is a bond that will be executed to the remotest degree. It will realize also the inestimable blessings of a lasting peace in the far east as a result of what Japan is about to do."

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WILL WEED OUT MANY RECRUITS

Rigid Medical Inspection of All Valcartier Camp Begins Today.

TO SEND UNFIT HOME

About Fifteen Thousand Men Now Under Canvas—More Due Today.

Canadian Press Despatch. VALCARTIER, Que., Aug. 24.—Lieut. Col. A. T. Shillington of Ottawa, medical recruiting officer, assisted by a staff of about twenty physicians from several eastern cities, will decide the fate of many of the militiamen encamped here tomorrow. Early in the morning the weeding out process will begin, and it will probably take more than a week medically to examine all the volunteers. Ten tents have been erected for the purpose. Despite the fact that a stiff examination of all recruits took place before they were enlisted, the inspection here will be more severe, and there is a possibility of many being struck from the rolls. The men found to be unfit for service will be sent to their respective homes immediately.

There are nearly 15,000 men in camp tonight, the arrivals today having been made before the weeding out. Only three regiments reached the camp, the 18th, 48th and 84th, all from the eastern townships. But tomorrow will be a heavy day for the transports, as there will be more special trains and troops will be made up each day. The 48th and 84th are expected to arrive about 5,000 more soldiers will arrive and about 5,000 more will be sent to the front. The latter comprise four regiments, the 5th Royal Rifles, 3rd Victoria Rifles, 5th Royal Rifles, and the 65th Mount Royal Rifles. The Royal Highlanders are expected to bring over 1,000 men, established on Sunday by the Queen's Own Rifles of Toronto.

There is no definite information as to what strength the camp will reach when all the troops are here, but it is figured by many officers that nearly 30,000 will be in training within the next few days.

More May Follow.

As not more than 20,000 will be sent to the front, the rest will be sent to the rear with the first body of troops to be sent to the front. The rest will be sent to the rear with the first body of troops to be sent to the front.

The camp is now simply dotted with tents from end to end, and has been divided into what is known as twelve battalions. Each battalion area consists of from five to nine regiments of men. Eight companies will be formed, but as yet no permanent brigades have been organized. Three brigades of four battalions each have been formed, but as yet no permanent brigades have been organized. Three brigades of four battalions each have been formed, but as yet no permanent brigades have been organized.

DROPPED DEAD AFTER HIS EVENING SWIM

Norman Hurst Stepped From Tank at Broadview Y.M.C.A. and Collapsed.

After swimming in the tank at Broadview Y.M.C.A. for about half an hour last night Norman Hurst of 242 Ontario street, came out to the side of the tank and dropped over dead. Dr. Sneath and Dr. Fraleigh were called, but could do nothing for the boy. Hurst was 16 years of age and is a son of Geo. C. Hurst.

CHOICE OF NEW POPE WILL SOON BE MADE

Canadian Press Despatch. LONDON, Aug. 23, 1.30 a.m.—A Rome despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. says it is announced by the cardinal who administered the holy see on the death of the Pope, that the conclave of cardinals will begin Aug. 31 and it is expected that the new Pope will be elected by Sept. 3 or 4.

LONDON MAN DROWNED.

LONDON, Ont., Aug. 24.—Ferry Palmer, 19 years old, a clerk in the employ of the Gas Appliance Company of this camp contract, reported the result last evening at the regular meeting of the association in Newton's new store, Caledonia avenue. President Cunliffe said the chairman reported good progress in the erection of the hall, the framework being now in position.

FAIL TO INVEST OSTEND

OSTEND, Aug. 24.—The Germans have failed to invest this city thoroughly. Uhlans who got as far as the outskirts, especially wool and all raw materials, are being greatly stimulated thru army requirements. Khaki is fairly booming. The hosiery trade has been affected by the lack of yarn, formerly supplied by the continent. There are only war orders in the cloth business. Easier cotton cloth freights are reported, and there is some betterment in the export trade to India and China.

China Distrusts Action Of Japan at Kiaochow

Will Not Become Involved in Affair Between Japan and Germany—In Case of War China Will Become Ally of United States.

Special to The Toronto World. NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—Yang Yu Ying, the Chinese consul-general at New York, said today at the consulate, in Broadway, that he optimistically presumes that eventually the United States would be forced into warfare against Japan.

"In that event," said Mr. Ying, "China may be relied upon to be an ally of the United States."

"China is not to become involved in the affair between Japan and Germany. While China has mobilized soldiers at Kiaochow, this is not to soldiers as an act of aggression on the part of China, but as part of her policy to have her soldiers ready for any contingency.

"China will allow Japan to act with freedom in the Kiaochow matter, although she does not believe that Japan is actuated by any high motive, but believes that Japan has no idea of restoring Kiaochow to China, as she has promised.

"It is believed that Japan will herself profit in this possession; that she will not turn Kiaochow over to the United States, or without China having to pay for it. It is a well-known fact that Japan wants Manchuria, and that China wants Kiaochow."

Academy of Medicine Will Treat Dependents Of Soldiers Without Fee

Needy dependents of any men who have enlisted for the war will have no anxiety about securing proper medical attention if such is needed, as a result of the motion put thru at a special meeting of the Academy of Medicine yesterday. The academy pledged itself to provide free medical treatment to needy families of the men who have enlisted for the war; they even went a step further, in expressing the hope that a similar move might be taken by the whole medical profession throughout the country, following the example set by Great Britain.

Dr. J. T. Fotheringham was appointed as chairman of the special committee which was formed to consider the move, and was made by the council of the academy, representative of the entire membership of that body.

VOTE DOWN ADDING SOLDIERS' HOMES

Chatham Aldermen Decline to Raise Tax Rate for Purpose.

Special to The Toronto World. CHATHAM, Ont., Aug. 24.—At tonight's city council meeting Alderman Foreman presented a resolution to raise the tax rate here if there is any need for the same. A vote of 24-11 was struck for the present year. The proposition was turned down. The majority of the aldermen thought that this might lead the families of the men to learn on the city without making an effort to support themselves, and they believed that if there is any present winter there will be enough patriotic citizens to provide the funds without the necessity of the city raising the tax rate. A vote of 24-11 was struck for the present year.

The council passed a resolution expressing the appreciation of the men of Chatham offering their services to their country, and message will be sent to Captain George Smith, commanding the local company, to this effect.

CARLOAD OF VEGETABLES FOR THE VOLUNTEERS

At a meeting of the committee of six appointed by the Toronto Branch of the Ontario Vegetable Growers' Association last night at the home of Mr. Martin in West Toronto, with the president, J. W. Rush, in the chair, it was decided to place a carload of vegetables at the disposal of the minister of militia for the volunteers stationed at Valcartier. It is anticipated that there will be over four tons of vegetables in addition there will be many baskets of tomatoes and barrels of cabbage.

The Canadian Northern Railway Company has offered to take the car free from Montreal to the camp, and it only remains to arrange for carriage between Toronto and Montreal.

WEST FAIRBANK

Geo. Cunliffe and W. H. Newton, who were appointed by the West Fairbank Ratepayers' Association to interview the mayor and board of control regarding the camp contract, reported the result last evening at the regular meeting of the association in Newton's new store, Caledonia avenue. President Cunliffe said the chairman reported good progress in the erection of the hall, the framework being now in position.

RUNNYMEDE

Arthur Dorney of Runnymede, who has enlisted in Princess Patricia's Light Infantry, and leaves for Montreal on Friday, was given a grand send-off last night by the members of the Runnymede Conservative Association. Headed by the Runnymede Brass Band, they marched along Jane street to Cooke's hall, where addresses were delivered by President J. C. Woolner and Mr. McQueen, and Mr. Dorney was presented with a handsome pipe.

BRITISH TEXTILE TRADE STIMULATED BY WAR

Wool and All Other Raw Materials in Demand—Khaki Booms.

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DUNNING'S

An irresistible series of special features are on our menu for special days. 27-31 West King street and 28 Melinda street.

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