Allies Engage Germans On Belgian Border As Russians Pour Over Frontier of Prussia

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ALL DAY SUNDAY THE BRITISH HELD BACK THE GERMANS AT MONS

ACTION BY THE GERMAN FLEET QUITE CERTAIN

Naval Experts Say the Boats Must Come Out and Fight Eventually.

PUBLIC WILL DEMAND IT

As Soon as People Realize That Seaborne Trade Is Dead.

OTHER MEASURES FIRST

Attempts Will Be Made to Reduce British Superiority By Torpedoes.

[Special Cable to The Advertiser.]
[By Archibald Hurd, Naval Expert for the London Daily Telegraph.]

London, Aug. 24.—The Austro-Hungarian battleship Zrinyi was one of the wonder warships of the world.

If she was famous for one thing far more than another, as her builders proclaimed, it was for the adequacy of her armor protection against shell fire.

Now, at the second shell fired by a ship of the French fleet, which penetrated her magazine, this good ship has gone to the bottom, presumably with her crew of 816 officers and men.

The message gives no news of these men. What are a few hundred, more or less, when a war is in progress in which about 15,000,0000 men are engaged, and we shall be receiving from a single strategical field casualty lists running into the tens of thousands?

Will They Come Out?

Everyone is asking the question, "Will the German fleet come out?" I have stated more than once my belief that it will eventually—that is, when it has done its best by torpedo tactics to reduce our superiority.

More than this, the public mind must be prepared to receive with befitting fortitude the heavy casualties and severe loss of material which must almost inevitably result when our ships do come in contact with the German high sea fleet.

Collision Certain.

H. C. Bywater, who for many years has lived in Germany and made a study of the German fleet, is of the same opinion. It is his view that such a collision is certain.

"In the first place," he writes, "we must refer back to the guiding principles of the German naval defence, which were expounded with such astonishing candor in the preamble to the navy act of 1900.

Why Fleet Is Needed.

"These principles have been constantly enunciated by the leaders of the naval movement in Germany. It is laid down that Germany needs a fleet to protect her coasts, her maritime trade and her colonies. German writers never have ceased to impress upon their countrymen that the great mercantile marine headquarters at Hamburg and Bremen owe their existence, their prosperity and their future development to the power of the German fleet, without whose protection they would be annihilated by jealous rivals.

"The situation thus pictured has actually some to pass.

Public Will Demand Action.

"German's seaborne trade has been brought absolutely to a standstill. Her people probably do not yet realize this grim fact, but the effect of this stoppage must be even now making itself felt. When the whole truth becomes known, as it must very soon, and it is also learned that the German colonies are lost, an irresistible demand will be made for instant action by the fleet.

"Finally," Mr. Bywater adds, "we may be sure that all the powerful influence of the military element will demand prompt and bold measures from the fleet."

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS:

New York, Aug. 24.—Arrived: Steamers Principe di Udine, Genoa; Noordam, Rotterdam; Kristianiafjord, Bergen.

THE WEATHER

THE LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 88; lowest, 60.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 Highest, 74; lowest, 59.

TOMORROW—COOL.

Torontoo, Aug. 24—8 a.m.

Forecasts.

Fresh northwesterly to northerly winds and quite cool today and on Tuesday.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	68	50	Clear
Calgary	64	44	Cloudy
Winnipeg	..	42	Cloudy
Port Arthur	60	34	Clear
Parry Sound	76	46	Clear
Toronto	88	60	Cloudy
Ottawa	76	52	Cloudy
Montreal	76	56	Cloudy
Quebec	66	56	Cloudy

Thunderstorms occurred yesterday in many portions of Ontario and Quebec, while heavy rain has fallen over Alberta and Saskatchewan.

AN AEROPLANE VIEW OF GREAT CROWD THAT SAW SEVENTH DEPARTURE

This photograph was taken by the photographer of Cairncross & Lawrence just before the departure of the troops on Saturday.

COMPLETE ROUT OF FRENCH ALONG MEUSE IS CLAIMED BY GERMANY

(Canadian Press.)

Washington, August 24.—2:45 p.m.—The German embassy today received the following message from the foreign office in Berlin: "The army of the German crown prince has won a decisive victory northwest of Biedenhosen over five French army corps. The retreat of the southern French wing on Verdun has been cut off. The French troops were repulsed across the River Meuse in complete rout. The crown prince's army, giving chase, took many prisoners and it is declared the French troops are no longer able to face the terrific fire of the German infantry."

COLONIES EXPECTED TO CONTRIBUTE MUCH MORE IN MEN AND MONEY

English Papers Appreciate What Has Been Done, but They Believe Population Warrants Lrager Contributions to Present Warfare.

[Canadian Press.]

London, Aug. 24.—After nearly three weeks of mobilization, the battle of giants has begun. Roughly speaking, the Germans are trying to work around the allies' flank in Belgium, while the French are attempting to apply the same process to the Germans in Alsace.

Almost all the encounters which have gone before have been mere reconnaissances. The defeat of a regiment here and there has been proclaimed as a great victory, but in this grapple of hundreds of thousands most of these affairs have had no significance.

Allies Chose Position.

The official announcements from both sides have been extremely candid thus far. From the standpoint of the allies, the important feature in Saturday's developments is the great battle which began in the morning on the Namur-Charleroi line. This is being fought on the position chosen by the allies.

Germans Claim Victory.

A German official statement says that troops under the Command of the Crown Prince of Bavaria, fighting between Metz and Vosges, took 10,000 prisoners and 50 guns. It adds that the French troops opposing the Germans comprised eight army corps.

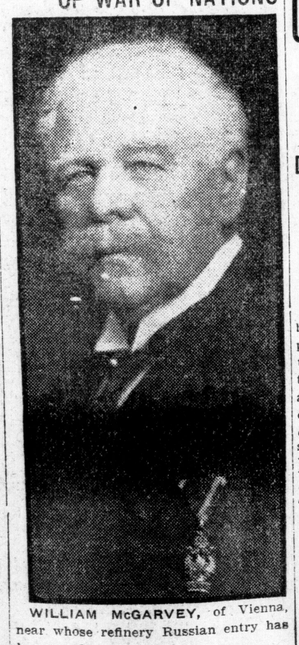
An official British statement explains calmly that nothing resembling a great battle has been fought as yet, and warns the people against optimism.

From the Russian boundary conflicting reports come, both sides claiming successes.

More Men From Colonies.

The English papers are warning the people that the war is only beginning, and that they must be prepared for a long struggle, which will tax the resources and manhood of the nation to the utmost limit. While appreciating all that the colonies have done, they expect colonies with the population of Canada and Australia to contribute much more in men and money to the Empire than they have yet done.

LONDONER IN CENTRE OF WAR OF NATIONS



WILLIAM McGARVEY, of Vienna, near whose refinery Russian entry has been made.

LONDON CONSUMERS ARE STILL IN IGNORANCE OF WHAT INCREASES MEAN

No Definite Advances Yet Announced as Result of War Tax Levy—Provisional Increase Made in Malt Products—Cigar Manufacturers Meeting Today.

Just how the war tax is going to affect London consumers of liquors, cigars, tobacco, cigarettes, sugar, coffee, cocoanut and the various other articles on which the Canadian Government is levying special taxes to defray the cost of the war, is still problematical.

Naturally the majority of the people are affected by the grocery increases. Liquors and tobaccos have their devotees who will pay more for their luxuries than heretofore, but it is the staples that count in the long run. However, London's wholesale grocers are not yet in a position to announce anything like definite figures as a result of the war tax. Contradictory advices from Montreal have put things "up in the air," to quote one grocer, and it will be some time before any satisfactory price adjustment is made.

Provisional Malt Increases.

Provisional advances have already been made in the cost of malt products in the city. T. H. Carling, of the Carling Brewing and Malting Company today announced the following temporary advances:

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WILL CAVALRY GO?

Rumor Says All Canadian Militia Units Will Be Called Out.

A rumor which is finding credence among the men is going the rounds, to the effect that the cavalry units after all may be called upon for service with Canada's overseas contingent.

Lieut.-Col. H. A. Abbott, commanding the First Hussars, says he has received no official communication which would indicate this, but an officer who wishes to remain unnamed declares he has been informed semi-officially that the troop may be ordered out at any moment.

Not only that, but he says his informant, a permanent staff officer from Kingston, hinted very broadly that before very long the whole of the Canadian militia would be called and civilians recruited for home defence purposes.

"And the sooner the better, says I," added the Hussar officer, "for that appears my only chance now of seeing active service."

GENERAL ENGAGEMENT CONTINUES ALL TODAY; BOTH ARMIES ARE SUFFERING HEAVY LOSSES

Germany Indulges In Threats and Boasts

Paper Says Belgium and Britain Will Rue Their Opposition—Conquered Territory To Be Kept Permanently.

[Canadian Press.]

London, Aug. 24.—4:22 p. m.—The London newspapers today quote the German newspaper, Taglische Rubdschau, as declaring that Belgium bitterly will rue the day she dared to oppose her mighty neighbor. Great Britain, the German newspaper also says, will pay dearly for her interference in this war, by seeing the permanent establishment of a German naval base on the coast of Belgium.

The Pan-Germanic organs declare that the portions of Belgium now overrun by the German army will be permanently incorporated in the German Empire.

MADE MAJOR OF 5TH BATTALION

Lt.-Col. H. C. Becher Given Higher Rank at Valcartier Camp.

TWO LONDON COMPANIES

Men From This City Form "G" and Part of "F" of Battalion of 1,500.

According to advices received in London, today Lieut.-Col. H. C. Becher, commanding officer of the Seventh Regiment, who left Saturday with his men for Valcartier has been given the rank of senior major of the Fifth battalion of the Canadian forces now in camp there. This appointment, in view of the number of officers in camp, means an unusual honor for the Seventh commander. The Fifth has over 1,500 men in its ranks and the position of a field officer with such a big unit means a much more important post than that of commander of a small unit.

One entire company of the Fifth—"G"—is composed of men from the Seventh while the remainder have been drafted into "F" company.

The men from this city arrived at Valcartier at 1 p.m. yesterday amid a pouring rain. The afternoon was spent in drawing stores.

Telegrams from Col. Becher, received here today indicate that the men are in the best of spirits.

GIFTS OF HORSES GLADLY ACCEPTED

Department Will Be Delighted To Receive as Many as Possible From Municipalities.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Aug. 24.—Gifts of horses will be glady accepted for the overseas expeditionary force. Col. Morrison, director of aritllery, this morning remarked that a good many towns have expressed a desire to give some form of aid, but could not put up a hundred-thousand-dollar machine gun battery or anything so costly. He said that any town or village which offered a gift of horses would have its offer promptly accepted. Any number from ten to a hundred or more will be taken.

"In war time you cannot have too many horses," said Col. Morrison.

ZEPPELIN AIRSHIPS APPARENT FAILURES

Out of Fifteen Owned, Five Are Believed Already Wrecked.

[Canadian Press.]

Paris, Aug. 24.—4:20 p. m.—Zeppelin airships, of which the Germans expected great things, appear as yet to have been inoffensive, according to the opinion in the French capital. Of the fifteen Zeppelin units, one is believed to have been disabled by the fire of the Liege forts on August 6, and another was demolished in a shed at Metz by the French aviator, Finck. Two others have been seen by Belgian aviators, apparently wrecked by wind squalls, in the forest between Metz and Aix-la-Chapelle. Another has been brought down at Badonviller, near Luneville.

Of the remainder, two are supposed to be on the Russian frontier, and the others at Cologne, Hamburg and Kiel and on the French frontier.

NO WORD FROM FORMER LONDONER

William McGarvey, Brother of Mrs. Ellen Westland, Is Now in Vienna.

IN A TRYING POSITION

Is Father-in-Law of Young Zeppelin and Austrian Officer, Though Britisher.

No word has been received since the outbreak of the war by relatives in this city of William McGarvey, of Vienna, Austria. Mr. McGarvey is a former London, and has been in Austria for many years. Mrs. Ellen Westland, of Hayman Court Apartments, is his sister, and Dr. W. S. Westland, of Queen's avenue, a nephew.

Mrs. Westland always has received a letter once every two weeks, but for some time neither letter nor cablegram has come to advise her as to his safety or the state of his oil properties. Mr. McGarvey has large possessions in Austria, and one of his refineries is located between Cracow and Lemburg, just at the point where the Russian entry into Austria was made. In all probability the refinery has been destroyed. Another refinery near Vienna is owned by him.

Father-in-law of Zeppelin.

It will be with feelings of the utmost remorse that the former Londoner views the outbreak of hostilities. One of his daughters is wedded to the son of Count Zeppelin, the famous builder of dirigibles, while another is the wife of an Austrian officer. Mr. McGarvey is the most loyal of Britishers, and when the proposal to use oil in the British navy was brought forward he was called in to give expert evidence. He has been decorated by the Austrian crown for his services to that country, his undertakings in the oil business having been foremost in the country.

Brother Killed In Russia.

It will be recalled that Mr. McGarvey's brother James was thev ictim of a terrible tragedy in Asiatic Russia, natives taking his life and that of his engineer while they were carrying on oil operations.

GERMANS CLAIM ANOTHER VICTORY

Declare They Defeated French Army and Captured Many Guns.

TOOK SEVERAL GENERALS

Statement Made That British Cavalry Brigade Was Also Beaten.

[Canadian Press.]

Berlin, Aug. 24.—By wireless telegraphy from Nauen, Germany, to Sayville, Long Island—Official announcement was made here today that the German army, commanded by Grand Duke Albrecht, of Wuertemberg, has defeated a French army at Neufchateau.

It captured many guns, flags and prisoners, including several generals.

German armies under Prince Rupprecht, of Bavaria, Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm and Grand Duke Albrecht are vigorously pursuing the French.

The army under Rupprecht captured 150 guns at Luneville, Blamont and Cirey (in the French department of Meurthe and Moselle.)

The army commanded by the Crown Prince Wilhelm pursued the French beyond Longwy.

The Germans are west of the River Meuse and advancing against Maubeuge.

They have defeated an English brigade of cavalry.

British Troops Reported To Be "Holding Their Ground"---Meagre Details of the Terrific Encounter Between French-British and German Forces.

(Canadian Press.)

PARIS, AUG. 24.—2:57 P.M.—"THE GENERAL ENGAGEMENT CONTINUES TODAY WITH DESPERATION," IS THE WORDING OF AN OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION GIVEN OUT THIS AFTERNOON. "ALREADY BOTH SIDES HAVE SUFFERED SERIOUS LOSSES."

THEY HELD THEIR GROUND.

(Canadian Press.)

London, Aug. 24.—2:45 p.m.—The official bureau of information today gave out the following announcement:

"British forces were engaged all day Sunday and until after dark with the enemy in the neighborhood of Mons, Belgium, They held their ground.

Paris, Aug. 24.—10:15 a.m.—The following official announcement was made here today:

"The great battle between the greater part of the forces of Great Britain and France against the bulk of the German army continues today.

"The mission of the British and the French is to hold virtually the entire German army in Belgium, while our Russian allies pursue their successes in the east.

"The Russians occupy territory fifty miles wide on the German frontier.

"After a great victory the Servians have made safe Austrian territory to the north of them."

GREAT RUSSIAN SUCCESSES CONFIRMED.

(Canadian Press.)

London, Aug. 24.—10:20 a.m.—The French embassy this morning received a telegram from the Minister of Foreign Affairs at Paris, stating that contact has been established between the opposing forces all along the line, and up to the present without advantage to either side.

The message confirmed the report that the German airship Zeppelin, No. 8, had been destroyed, and that there had been great Russian successes.

"After a great victory the Servians are now ready to invade Austrian territory to the north of the River Save.

"The Russian line on the German frontier extends from Tilsit to Inverburg and Arys. The German population is evacuating Willenberg, 91 miles southeast of Koenigsberg, because of the arrival of Russian forces from Poland, which already have penetrated a considerable distance toward Soldau."

JAPANESE BEGIN TO BOMBARD TSING TAU

People Approve of the War, Though They Regret Necessity---White Doves On Sanctuary a Splendid Omen.

(Canadian Press.)

Tokio, Aug. 24.—The Yamato, in an extra edition today says that the bombardment of Tsing Tau by the Japanese flee has commenced. This message was passed by the censor o the navy department.

Tokio, Aug. 24.—Unanimous approval of the war, which is calmly and dispassionately discussed, summarizes public opinion. The newspapers express regret over the necessity of hostilities with Germany, and urge the public to refrain from exhibiting resentment toward the Germans in Japan. They print messages of cheer to the army and navy, who, they hope, will be quickly victorious.

An imperial messenger went to the shrines of Ise to inform the spirits of the imperial ancestors of Japan's declaration of war.

A Happy Omen.

It is announced that a flock of white doves descended on the roof of the imperial sanctuary at the moment of the expiration of the ultimatum to Germany, and this is accepted as an omen of speedy victory. The Ladies' Patriotic Association, which has a membership of 100,000, is sending to the volunteer nurses' committee packages for the soldiers and will provide for the families of the men who have been called to the service. The Red Cross Society is equipping a hospital ship.

Communication Cut Off.

Communication between Japan and China has been severed for 24 hour Except for the very meagre news tha has reached here from New York, th entire country is kept in the dark re garding the progress of the war Europe.

It is believed the cable betwee Shanghai and Nagasaki has been cu The officers of the army and navy a absolutely sphinxlike regarding the pro ress of events in the China Sea. Ever thing is quiet here, the attitude of t public appearing almost indifferent.

No Immediate Occupation.

London, Aug. 24.—11:45 a. m.—N news of Japanese or German militar operations in the Far East have reac ed London since Japan's declaration war upon Germany.

According to the Japanese embass here, those who are looking for th occupation of Kiao-Chow almo simultaneously with the issue of th Japanese declaration of war will b disappointed. The view is express at the embassy that, in order to avo needless loss of life, the operatio against Kiao-Chow will be more pr longed than otherwise would be th case.

FORMER PRIZEFIGHTER WITH PRINCESS' PETS

Ottawa, Aug. 24.—Jack Munro, the former famous prize fighter, ex-mayor of Elk Lake, is one of the volunteers in the Princess Patricia Light Infantry. He came down from the mining country and enlisted.

FELL FIFTY FEET TO INSTANT DEAT

Quebec, Aug. 24.—While at work f the St. Lawrence Construction Com pany Saturday at the Quebec bridg Alfred Martel, of Copper Cliff, On fell to instantaneous death from height of over 0 5feet.

The body was shipped today to rel tives at Copper Cliff.