

# RUSSIAN ADVANCE IN EAST AND WEST PRUSSIA IS CONTINUED

to get south. They had hand luggage, facilities for camping in the street and enough food to last several meals.  
One thousand were in line when the station closed at noon. But few persons went away, the rest being content to remain where they were for eighteen hours more to secure an opportunity to purchase a ticket.

**BELGIUM DENIED ASSERTIONS.**  
ANTWERP, Aug. 31.—Announcement was made here today that Belgium formally denied the assertions of Austria-Hungary in her reply under date of August 29 to the dual monarchy's declaration of war and the representations made at the same time. One part of the reply contained the following declaration:

"Belgium has always maintained friendly relations with all her neighbors and has fulfilled the duty imposed by neutrality. If she could not accept the proposals of Germany it is because they had for their object the violation of an engagement which was a condition of the creation of the kingdom. Belgium does not think that any people, however weak, could mistake their duty and sacrifice their honor by inclining to force."

Belgium, it is asserted, did not appeal to France and to Great Britain for aid until her territory actually had been invaded.

**GERMANS LEAVING NORTH BELGIUM.**  
AMSTERDAM, Aug. 31.—A despatch dated Sunday and received Monday, says that the retreating movement of the German troops was accentuated today, when the enemy abandoned the region north of Aerschot, notably evacuating Henstodpenberg, Tremelo and Haegst. The Province of Antwerp and part of Limburg for the time being are clear of the enemy.

The Germans are entrenching at Aerschot, apparently with the intention of falling back on their main positions.

**MALINES A DESERTED CITY.**  
Malines today is a deserted city. Both the invading Germans and the Belgians have departed, with the result that the looters are busy among the homes, churches and public buildings.

The report has been confirmed that King Albert of the Belgians was present at the first bombardment of Malines, leading his officers in the thick of the battle and that it was with the greatest difficulty that the monarch was persuaded to retire to a place of safety. The king, it is asserted, was much exasperated when his officers insisted. He declared that he would fight the enemy to the last drop of his blood.

This statement is made apparently to offset the German claim that King Albert was cowardly. Previous reports from Belgium stated that the king had signified his intention of taking a gun and fighting in the trenches with his men.

**TO PAINT BATTLE PICTURES.**  
The Kaiser has commissioned Theodore Rochefeld, the celebrated painter of battle scenes, to proceed to the western front to make studies for paintings of battles in the present campaign against the allies.

**AUSTRIANS BADLY DEFEATED.**  
ROME, Aug. 31.—The "Messaggero's" Nish correspondent has informed the Serbian government that if Roumania abandons her neutrality in favor of Russia Bulgaria will take a similar action and so will all the other Balkan states, unless Turkey goes over to the side of the triple entente.

The "Messaggero's" Sofia correspondent states that the Austrians have suffered irreparable defeat at Zamose.

A despatch from Bucharest reports a big battle along the Vistula and Dniester Rivers, in which the Austrian losses are said to be appalling heavy, entire regiments having been destroyed.

The fighting continues along the entire line and the victory is believed to have gone to the Russians altho they have been losing heavily.

Earlier despatches to London said that the Russian advance in East Prussia had penetrated as far as the Vistula River and that the fortresses of Thorn and Graudenz, part of the Vistula River defences, had been invested. Big siege guns, the advices stated, had been brought to bear on the fortresses.

**PRIDE AND SATISFACTION IN INDIA.**  
SIMLA, India, Aug. 31.—The employment of Indian troops in fighting Britain's battles on the continent of Europe will create a firmer bond and better understanding between India and England, it is believed here. A feeling of pride and satisfaction pervades the country since the departure of the first of the Indian contingent.

**JAPANESE OCCUPY TACHIEH.**  
PEKIN, Aug. 31.—A despatch from Tsina in Shantung says that cannonading was heard at various times today. It is thought that the German forts at Tsingtau are returning the fire of the Japanese fleet. The Japanese, it is reported here, have occupied Tachieh, a small island outside of Kiachau Bay on which the German fortifications front.

## GERMAN RIGHT WING FORCES ALLIES BACK

**Invaders Apparently Drawing Nearer to Paris Despite Repulses—Troops From British Dominions Reported to Have Landed in France—Recruiting in Britain Brisk.**

**Canadian Press Despatch.**  
LONDON, Aug. 31, 4.47 p.m.—Taken at its face value the French official statement issued this afternoon which means that the progress of the German right wing has forced the allies to yield further ground, would seem to indicate that the Germans, notwithstanding repulses, are making daily advances towards Paris.  
The statement Sunday of Field Marshal Sir John French, commander of the British troops, however, spoke of fighting on the French left, but this, according to one report, resulted in the German right being slightly turned.

The Austrian invasion of Russia in the Lublin district, which aroused the apprehension of the allies, has, if Russian despatches are to be relied upon, been blocked, and the Muscovites claim to have turned their defensive into an offensive action. There is no confirmation of the report that the Russians are in Koenigsberg.  
No New Fighting.  
If silence means that there is nothing doing, Sir John French's statement Sunday that the British had not been molested since Wednesday still holds good. Nothing is known by the public in London of new fighting either in northern or eastern France.  
From Canada, India, Australia and

South Africa the British front will soon receive large reinforcements. Some of these troops are already reported to have landed in France.  
In England the recruiting fever has not abated. At Liverpool today a battalion of 1000 business men was filled within an hour, and there was such an overflow that it was decided to enroll a second battalion.  
The British Government has started negotiations, thru the American consul at Berlin, for an exchange of non-combatant prisoners with Germany and Austria.

**TO AID SOLDIERS' FAMILIES.**  
BERLIN, Ont., Aug. 31.—The medical men of Berlin and Waterloo met in special session tonight and unanimously decided that they would offer free medical attendance and medicine to the families of all soldiers who go out from the twin cities in defence of the British Empire. The resolution was moved by Dr. F. Honsberger.

**REQUIEM AT MONTREAL.**  
MONTREAL, August 31.—In all the Catholic churches of the city and the archdiocese solemn requiem services were held this morning for the late Pope Pius X.

## THE BRITISH BATTLE SONG

"It's a Long, Long Way to Tipperary"

CHORUS

It's a long way to Tipperary, It's a long way to go. It's a long way to Tipperary, To the sweetest girl I know. Fare you well, Ladies and Gents, It's a long long way to Tipperary. But my heart's right there! It's a long long way to Tipperary.

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## Canada's Assistance Pleases Old London

Canadian Associated Press Cable.  
LONDON, Aug. 31.—The readiness of Canada's assistance, especially in recruits for active service, arouses enthusiastic comment here. It is contrasted with the rather apathetic attitude until recently shown here in certain parts.  
The Sunday Despatch says: "If we at home responded in something like Canada's proportion, about a million men would now be tumbling over each other in their anxiety to enlist."  
Several large firms are discharging their young, unmarried clerks, who have not presented themselves at recruiting offices, altho there is no desire to deal harshly with those having special family ties.  
A novel proposal has been put forward concerning the sacks which will convey Canada's gift of flour here. The suggestion made is that these be sold as a memento at a dollar apiece, the proceeds to be given to the Belgian relief fund. The government department which is receiving the flour will favorably consider the suggestion.  
The Times naval editor, referring to the German Samoan Islands sur-rendering to a New Zealand force, remarks that this Dominion will learn that not only her gift ship took part in the North Sea engagement, but her military forces have now a good achievement to their credit.  
The sailing of the Allan liner Ionian next Thursday has been canceled. Her passengers will be transferred to the Corinthian, sailing Thursday week.

## NORTH BAY FORMS AID COMMITTEE

Representative Citizens Will Raise Money for Contingencies Due to War.  
Canadian Press Despatch.  
NORTH BAY, Aug. 31.—A strong representation of the different churches and societies of the town met in the town hall tonight for the purpose of organizing a patriotic campaign to raise funds on the lines laid down by Toronto.  
Mayor Lee was in the chair and outlined the object of the meeting and was followed by numerous other speakers. Senator Gordon and A. J. Young were elected hon. presidents, and they are backed by a strong committee of thirty leading citizens who purpose within a few weeks to raise a required sum to meet all contingencies caused by the war.  
The Women's Canadian Club held a similar meeting in the afternoon for the same purpose. Mrs. Deiler was appointed president. At a meeting of employees of the T.N.O. Railway a patriotic movement was launched to provide means of contributing towards the Canadian patriotic fund. It was decided to ask every employe to contribute a day's pay. A similar scheme has also been launched on the C.P.R. and G.T.R. systems.

## Britain to Organize Prize Courts in U.S.

Object is to Adhere to Stipulations of Treaties and to Restore Neutral Commerce in Seized Vessels Promptly to Owners—To Conform to International Law.  
Canadian Press Despatch.  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 31.—British embassy officials are in constant communication with the state department with a view to expediting the organization of English prize courts and simplifying the machinery for their operation. Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, ambassador from Britain, called at the department today in this connection, it is understood.  
The British government is anxious to have the courts begin sittings, that neutral commerce, which may be part of the cargo of prizes, may be restored promptly to its legal owners and the American government shares in the British desire for simplicity and expedition.  
In cases of capture at sea, according to the international law, it becomes the first duty of the captor to convey the prize to a port of its own or one of its allies for adjudication by special tribunals which may sit in the ports of territory of a belligerent or in those of an ally, but not in neutral ports.  
The function of these courts is solely to determine whether the capture was legally made and, in arriving at a decision, the stipulations of treaties are obligatory upon the nations which have agreed to them and prize courts are bound to respect these treaties in settling controversies between the subjects or citizens of signatory powers.  
The second Hague peace conference provides for a tribunal of appeal in prize cases.

## NO BAPTISM OF FIRE FOR CRUISER RAINBOW

Canadian Press Despatch.  
SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 31.—The British cruiser Newcastle arrived at the British naval station at Esquimault today and entered the drydock. She was undamaged. The cruiser Rainbow at sea, was reported today as unmarked. The report of a naval fight in which the German cruiser Leipzig suffered is denied.  
MR. PERNFUSS PROMOTED.  
BERLIN, Ont., Aug. 31.—Alvin E. Pernfuss, for the past three months acting city ticket agent of the Grand Trunk Railway, was notified today that he had been officially appointed agent. Mr. Pernfuss has had seven years' experience in railroad work, two years of which was spent with the C.P.R. at the Union Station at Toronto.

## STATIONARY CORPS AS HOSPITAL UNIT

Men Left in Camp at Long Branch Will Be Re-organized.  
AWAIT SUDDEN ORDER  
Hospital Divisions Will Probably Entrain Before End of Week.

A fatigue party from the Home Battalion yesterday morning cleared away every vestige of the camp equipment of the Service Battalion of the 48th Highlanders, now arrived at Valcartier, and nothing remains in this part of the camp to mark its occupation by so large a body of men.  
The camp was further depleted yesterday morning by the departure of No. 1 Field Ambulance. The men, to the number of 267, in command of Lieut.-Col. D. W. McPherson, boarded special radial cars at 8 o'clock amid the encouraging cheers of their comrades remaining, and from Sunnyside marched to the C.N.R. station at Cherry street, and after a short stay, entrained shortly after 10 o'clock for Valcartier.

This Service Corps includes a detachment from No. 1 Clearing Hospital, in command of Captain G. W. O. Dowdley, and is destined for work in the relief of the wounded in the battle zone. From its ranks also will be formed the Clearing Hospital at the front, which will receive the injured, the hospital which will be in a short time to the firing line, and transporting others by the general transport wagons of the army to a stationary hospital nearer the base.  
Four Hundred Men Remain.  
About 400 men, composed of the remainder of the volunteers from the 10th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 15th and 19th Army Medical Corps, remain at Long Branch, and activity was marked yesterday in the formation of a Stationary Hospital Corps, and of a General Hospital Corps, and it is expected by the officers in charge that these detachments will leave for Valcartier within the next few days, and will sail with the first contingent.  
The base of operations are known as No. 1, will form an intermediate stage between the Clearing Hospital and the General Hospital, which will be situated on the base of operations and will perform similar duties to those of the Clearing Hospital, returning the recovered to the field and sending the more seriously injured to the General Hospital. The Stationary Hospital will consist of seven medical officers, two warrant officers, one quartermaster, one bugler, and 76 of other ranks, making a total of 84.

Major D. B. Bentley, district health officer for the six counties of Essex, Kent, Lincoln, Middlesex and Surrey, and of the 14th Sarnia Corps, will go in command, and four other officers have already been chosen. They are Captain E. J. Thurgate, who has come over from the States and affiliated with the 14th A.M.C., will act as quartermaster. The warrant officer has not yet been appointed.  
The General Hospital, consisting of a commanding officer, 15 other officers, one quartermaster, two warrant officers, and 106 of other ranks, a total of 128, is now being formed by Major Henry of the 10th A.M.C. of Toronto.  
Ordered to Report.  
Captain W. J. Bentley, of the 14th Sarnia Corps, received orders yesterday to report at Valcartier, where, if anticipated, he will be attached to the hospital. He is, however, in a temporary position from the temporary indisposition consequent upon the inoculation for typhoid, the officers report that there has been practically no sickness in the camp and that the men are in good condition and well satisfied with the arrangements made for their comfort.

## EXHIBITION CROWDS LARGEST EVER SEEN

Union Station Officials Were Taken by Surprise—Hotels All Crowded.  
If arrivals into the city are any sign for the success of this year's Exhibition, the prospects are of the very best; for never in the history of Union Station has so large a crowd been seen. So great has been the number of arrivals that the officials were completely taken by surprise that it was not until late in the afternoon that they managed to cope with the rush. The hotels again report the same state of affairs, and at a late hour last night it was practically impossible to find a room in any of the downtown hotels.

## GERMAN CRUISER FAST, BUT JAP LIFTER

Which Explains Why Chiyo Maru is Safely at Frisco.  
Canadian Press Despatch.  
SAN FRANCISCO, August 31.—The Japanese liner Chiyo Maru, which arrived here today reports that on the night of August 28 she was chased for four hours by a German cruiser, but escaped by crowding on all speeds.

## CHILD WAS MURDERED.

According to the verdict of Dr. E. N. Court's jury, emanating at Scarborough Junction last night to investigate the death of an infant whose body was found in a suit-case on the railway tracks, the child was murdered by unknown persons. Dr. Silverthorn's post-mortem evidence was that the skull had been fractured, following which the infant was suffocated to death.

## B. I. A. RIFLE CLUBS.

All persons in Eglarcourt and district desiring to join the B.I.A. Rifle Club can do so any evening by handing in their names to the secretary, William Russell, 45 Goodwood avenue, Eglarcourt.

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