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tered enough of the forts of Liege to occupy the town. The French captured the unfortified town of Mulhausen in Alsace where a large German army was operating under the Crown Prince.

Having occupied Liege and taken General Leman prisoner and having lost General Von Emmich in action, Germany moved towards Brussels. Britain seized German Togoland in West Africa. France broke off diplomatic relations with Austria. The German dreadnought Goeben with the cruiser Breslau took refuge in the Dardanelles under the wing of Turkey. Britain declared war on Austria. That made the combined British and French fleets in the Mediterranean effective against the Austrian fleet.

Two days before the Kaiser's date of dining in Paris, German cavalry were routed by Belgians at Diest and by the French at Spincourt. The Kaiser's army was still in Belgium. The next day the French and the Belgians linked forces. The day that the Kaiser expected to reach Paris the French defeated a Bavarian corps in Alsace and the Czar promised Home Rule to Poland. On August 16th Japan, through the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, gave Germany a week's ultimatum to evacuate Kiaochau. The next day there was a naval fight in the Adriatic when an Austrian cruiser was sunk.

Meanwhile the day after the Kaiser had expected to dine in Paris, General French arrived there and was given a different kind of reception. France broke into huzzas, "Le Marseillaise" and "Dieu Garde Le Roi." The Belgian Government moved its officers to Antwerp. The Germans marched through Huy and Jodoigne to Brussels where, without firing a gun, they levied a tribute of \$50,000,000. The Kaiser appeared at Mainz, personally directing his army.

ARMAGEDDON was now arriving. With the Russian "steam roller" advancing in three sections on East Prussia, through Poland and on Galicia; with three or four or perhaps five German armies operating in Belgium and Alsace-Lorraine; with Austria trying to strangle Serbia and to get away in time to check Russian advances; with the British fleet awaiting for the German navy to come out from Heligoland and Wilhelmshaven; with Japan waiting for the hour to go pounding at Kiaochau; with German shipping to the tune of more than \$2,000,000,000 a year chased off the high seas by British cruisers; with Italy apparently ready to mobilize against Austria; with Turkey leaning towards Germany and the Balkans ready to go at the throat of Turkey; with Belgian and French troops in active conjunction against the huge German machine in Belgium; with airships and Zeppelins skirmishing in the blue and getting ready to drop bombs wherever convenient; with a British force of 110,000 men and a heavy force of cavalry and artillery getting ready to join with the French and the Belgians in the cockpit of Europe; with daily expectations of the greatest battle since the world began not far from Waterloo; with only Sweden, Norway, Switzerland, Spain, Portugal and Denmark outside the European zone of actual war—within two weeks after England declared war upon Germany the world was up in arms in a way that began to make Norman Angell's "Great Illusion" a grim reality, and the contention of financiers that the world's business couldn't afford to have a world war the greatest illusion of all.

And by a little after the middle of August, while one half of North America was the only great civilized nation in the world not at war, the other half in Canada was at war because England was at war. On August 18th there was a war session of the Canadian Parliament, which voted \$50,000,000 of a war loan and backed up the Militia Department in its mobilization of an army of more than 20,000 Canadians. Valcartier began to emerge as the second most

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