Stupendous Clash of Teuton, Saxon and Slav Millions Becomes More Imminent, Though Powers Still Hesitate Before Taking Awful Plunge

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Y IS DECLARED IN BARRACKS MEN IN LONDON SCOUTS OF GERMANS CROSS CENSORSH

CZAR RECEIVES GERMAN MINISTER

(Canadian Press.)

St. Petersburg, July 31.—The Emperor of Russia today gave an audience to the German ambassador and subsequently presided over a full council of ministers attended by the chief of the army general staff.

The mail train for Germany will not leave St. Petersburg tonight, and the line of boats running to Stockholm, Sweden, has been stopped.

Kaiser's Land Is Now In "State of War"

Military Authorities Take Entire Charge of Situation -- None Must Come Within One Hundred Yards of Railways.

[Canadian Press.]

London, July 31 .- A dispatch from Berlin to Reuter's Telegraph Company says that a state of war has been proclaimed

The "state of war" proclaimed in Germany means, in other words, martial law, under which the military authorities take charge of the situation in conformity with paragraph 68 of the constitution of the German Empire. The kingdom. of Bavaria, however, is excluded from the operation of today's proclamation, and will have to issue a similar decree if it desires to do so, as it is an independent kingdom.

Today's proclamation was signed by the German Emperor

RAILWAYS UNDER GUARD. [Canadian Press.]

Koenigsberg, Germany, July 31 .-The German military authorities have posted notices that the railroad station and tracks here have been placed un- shot down.

and an order says that civilians disobeying the sentries' challenge will expose themselves to the danger of being

BEFORE ORDER TO CALL ARMY

France and Germany Post- But No Considerable Force pone Action to the Last Possible Moment.

Diplomats Appear To Be Using Every Effort To Keep Peace.

RUSH TO THE VAULTS

[Canadian Press.]

Berlin, July 31.—The morning passed without the heavy cloud over the European horizon breaking, and there was no relief to the almost despairing uncertainty existing in the Germany capital, where the excitement continued to increase.

It was admitted that the situation had become worse during the last 24 hours, but the fact that both Germany and France issued official denials of their intention to mobilize was regarded as a favorable sign that everything possible was being dow to prevent

It was evident everywhere today that the military authorities were quietly preparing for the speedy moving of troops in case the order for mobilization should be given.

A Rush to Safety Vaults. At many of the banks in Berlin this morning army officers were seen making financial preparations for their separation from their families while many women were there to deposit their valuables in the safety vaults.

Members of the various royal families of Germany spending their vacations away from their homes hurried back to-The crown princess returned from Mecklenburg and the King of Saxony came back to Dresden from Switzerland.

Comes Within Six Miles of the Frontier.

EXHAUST ALL RESOURCES FRANCE IS VERY CAREFUL

Foregoes Advantage of Early Mobilization Rather Than Be Provocative.

HOPES REST ON GERMANY

[Canadian Press.]

Paris, July 31.-Military movements on the German side of the were very active today, and the French covering troops sent out outposts. A German patrol at one point actually crossed the frontier, probably owing to a

force of French troops advanced closer to the German frontier than a distance of six miles.

Mare Pessimistic.

The French foreign office officials were considerably more pessimistic today, as they explained the gravity of the situation was increasing

with the lapse of each day. At the same time it was said that it must not be assumed that all hope of a peaceful solution had vanished. The French Government, it was asserted, would leave nathing undone to further this ob-

France Strives For Peace. France, it was pointed out, rather than seem to be in the least provocative, is foregoing the justificable advantage an early mobilization of her army would give her, and will not make any move until after Germany has done so.

The slight amount of hope perceptible is based on problematical

There has been much talk of Germany approaching Austria and Russia, it is explained, but the fact is, according to official information, that Germany has done nothing, and clear and definite action on the part of Germany alone an open a way out of the crisis.

ON THEIR WAY TO EUROPE



der military guard. Nobody is allowed to approach nearer than a distance of 100 yards from the tracks and culverts, and one are that civilians dis-FOLLOWING DETERMINED ACTION OF

(Canadian Press.)

ondon, July 31-The momentous announcement was made by Premier Asquith in House of Compons today that Russia had proclaimed the general mobilization of army and fleet, and, in consequence, martial law had been proclaimed in Germand a general mobilization in Germany would follow. Premier Asquith's state-

"We have just heard not from St. Petersburg but from Germany, that sia has proclaimed the general mobilization of her army and her fleet and in consequence of this martial law is to be proclaimed in Germany.

"We understand this to mean that mobilization will follow in Germany if Russian mobilization is general and is proceeded with. "In these circumstances I prefer not to answer any further questions till

Auria and Russia Rew Conversations

Are I Carried On At Shrsburg and Vientouse Hopes.

Press. announced that "conversamed between the

These "conversations" are being carried on in St. Petersburg and Vienna simultaneously, and the fact aroused out Germany. another flicker of hope in London that the opportunity for mutual explanation may form a starting point toward where.

It was officially of Prussia had gone to St. Petersburg was regarded as a strongly favorable sign, as Emperor William's brother is believed to have more influence over Eungarian Gov- the Emperor of Russia than any one

May Suspend Act.

Declares His Willingness To

Head Local Corps in Event

DRAWAIT FOR GOLD T BANK OF ENGLAND

rency to Banks in

[Cana

London, July been little or n there has might have beent such as cities during a id in other dimensions of thisis of the compelled to pay gold not be act also was suspethe bank rose to 10 per cent. the rate Besieging

Drays Wait Fo which is not far from change, dozens of two get into the gate to be

A report stating that Prince Henry

Dozens Line Take Cur- and silver, which the banks throughout London were getting in exchange for Bank of England notes held by them. ExchanNotes. The street was lined by policemen not so much in fear of a panic but to prevent the purloining of the valuable

canvas bags, which contained the muchscught-after currency. The opinion was general that the bank act would be suspended, as it was argoing through, the London is gued that when the gold once got out day were unlike the city to-Curney Bank fail the great nothing to prevent it being sent abroad. 1866, when the G000,000 in I was also undrstood that the bank necessary to suspe found it was preparing to issue £1 notes to take that the Bank of Dk act, so the place of sovereigns.

The main entran England was besiegank notes waiting to hars of into gold, and in thanged crowd became so great the laced officials formed goldlines in the big quac them were messengers st of banks or from businesnaller casionally there was t ocoutcher's boy, rubbing oned city magnate.

of Declaration of War. Lieutenant-Colonel H. C. Becher, in ommand of the Seventh Militia Regiof the local corps being called upon for rvice abroad, he would volunteer to

at their head.

Martial law was proclaimed through-

and Servian troops resulted in the Servians successfully resisting the invaders'

The great German liners Imperator and Vaterland were taken off the trans-

all night in St. Petersburg.

which are greatly delayed.

Stock exchanges were closed every-

Several encounters between Austrian

Wild patriotic enthusiasm prevailed

Vienna has been kept in ignorance of events at the front, and Germany has put into effect unless the general manimposed a rigid censorship on dispatches, cepted the plan of settlement proposed by the federal board of mediation.

Come to Time. [Canadlan Press.]

> been set for Friday, August 7, it was of such dispatches as are permitted to officially announced today. William S. Stone, grand chief engineer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and W. S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, declared the order would be agers' committee of the railroads ac-

Where Blanche Yorke Died



The Tamworth house, in which the mutilated remains of Miss Blanche Yorke were found. The house was the office of Dr. C. K. Robinson, a warrant ose arrest has been issued. A coroner's jury has formally charged him

OTTAWA IN WAR FEVER; 20,000 MEN TO BE SENT IF BRITAINIS INVOLVED

AUSTRIA'S WAR REC-

ORD OF 300 YEARS

1618 to 1648-Thirty years' war. Defeated by Gustavus Adolphus

at Leipsic 1631; at Lutzen 1632.

Province of Pomerania seized.

Beaten by French and compelled to make peace.
1683—Defeated by the Turks,

Emperor Leopold flees Vienna. Appeals to King John Sobieski of Poland. Sobieski defeats Turks

under walls of Vienna and drives them back.
1697—Austrian Prince Eugene

1701-10-War of Spanish succes-

sion. Prince Eugene defeated French in Italy. Joined Marl-

borough and defeated French at

Oudenarde, 1708, and Malplaquet. 1717-Prince Eugene defeated

Turks at Belgrade. 1741—Frederick the Great takes

province of Silesia from Austria.

Defeated Austrians at Mollwitz.

erick defeated Austrians at

Prague.

Leuthen.

Freiburg.

Marengo.

Montebello

1755-Seven years' war. Fred-

1757 - Austrians defeated as

1762-Austrians defeated at

1760-Austrians defeated

1796-Austrians defeated

1799-Austrians defeated

Napoleon at Lodi, Arcola, Rivoli

Moreau at Hohenlinden. By Mas-

1800-Defeated by Napoleon at

1800-Defeated by Lannes at

1805-Defeated at Austerliz.

1803 - Defeated at Bekmuhl.

Defeated at Asperin and Essling,

Defeated at Wagram. Vienna

1859-Defeated by Napoleon III.

1866-Seven weeks' war. De-

feated by Prince Frederick and

WAR DISPATCHES

ly Delayed While News Is

Filtered Through Offi-

cial Sieves.

ress received the following dispatch

mation, close censorship has been im-

posed on all news from Germany, Aus-

tria and Russia, and probably will be

imposed in France, Italy and Servia to

The British foreign office has request-

ed correspondents and newspapers to re

to military activities.

frain from publishing any news relating

Official news from the continent may

be authorized by some of the continent-

The existing censorship on the contin-

al governments, but to how great an ex-

tent it is yet impossible to determine

Vienna taken by Napoleon.

at Magenta and Solfering.

Von Moltke at Sadowa.

Torgu and Liegnitz.

Driven out of Italy.

sena at Zurich.

defeats Turks at Zenta.

BARRACKS MEN **ARE PREPARING** FOR WAR CALL

Despite Denial of Mobilization Orders Preparations Are Going On Locally.

READY FOR SUMMONS

Believed That Headquarters Have Been Advised To Have Everything in Readiness.

Preparations looking to a possible war contingency are being made at Wolseley Barracks' divisional headqu ters of the R. C. R. Equipment is being overhauled and although regimental and headquarters' officers refuse to make any statement, a well defined rumor that the local company is likely to be sent to Halifax to help in garrison-

ing the coast city is going the rounds. At present, so far as can be learned, no general orders for mobilization have een received here, but it is believed that headquarters has received instructions to hold itself in readiness to send

troops to Halifax, if necessary. Up to the present the militia units in the city have not been affected by the war scare. Nevertheless the militia act gives the power of calling upon them for service outside of Canada if they are needed. As a matter of fact, the usual practice, and the one acted upon at the time of the war in South Africa, is to call for volunteers for foreign service, and to organize corps omposed of contingents from different militia regiments. In this way the varous units are not disorganized com-

The permanent force here, which would be the first to be called upon, consists of about 65 officers and men. In the whole Dominion the permanent force is composed of 3,110 men of all ranks, including officers, warrant officers, staff sergeants, and sergeants, and rank and file. The mounted troops num-

55,000 ENGINEERS Transmission of News Great-AND FIREMEN WILL STRIKE ON FRIDAY this morning:

Date Set For Employees of Lines West of Chicago. Unless Managements

Chicago, Ill., July 31.-A strike of 55,000 firemen and engineers on 98 railroads operating west of Chicago has

ent is greatly delaying the transmission Frontier Bridge Has Been Destroyed

(Canadian Press.) London, July 31 .- A Central News dispatch from Berlin says the Russian troops today blew up the frontier railroad bridge of the Warsaw. Vienna railroad.

War Flashes

SERVIANS HOLDING PASS. [Canadian Press.] London, July 31 .- An Exchange Telegraph Company dispatch from Nish. Servia, via Saloniki, says that up till last night the Austrian invaders at Semendria had not succeeded in forcing the pass held by the Servian troops, whose possession would give them ac-

ess to the Morava River valley, and

hus open up a direct road to Nish.

BOTH HAVE HEAVY LOSS. London, July 31.-Another dispatch rom Nish to the Exchange Telegraph ipany says desperate fighting coned on Page Three.

One Colonel Volunteers To Head Capital's Foot Guards.

MILITIA CAN BE SENT ABROAD.

Section In Act Provides For Placing In Active Service

SOME EXCITED.

Sam Hughes Said To Be Ready To Take Command.

Ottawa, Ont., July 31.---It is be-lieved by military men at Ottawa that a contingent of twenty thousand Canadians will be on transports within a fortnight under the command of Col. Sam Hughes. There has been a constant exchange

of messages between the war office In London and the militia authorities at Ottawa. As a result of the communications, plans for the mobilization of contingent of 20,000 are being verfected. There is great interest throughout the country in the prospect of Canada participating in the

OFFERS REGIMENT IF WAR IS DECLARED. The militia department has received offers of volunteers from all parts of the country and from men

of all ranks, from colonels to pri-One of the first offers received was from Col. Jas. W. Wood, com mander of the famous governorgeneral's footguards at Ottawa. He personally volunteered to the minister of militia to go at the head of his regiment with the first boat load of Canadian soldlers. regiment is already equipped with

Similar offers are being received from the commanders of Canadian regiments everywhere.

MEMBERS OF MILITIA MAY BE CALLED OUT. Members of the Canadian militia are liable for service abroad. At the time of the South African trouble the contingents were filled

by volunteering. However, should England become involved in Europe it is not expected that this formality would be gone through with. Instead, orders would be sent to the commanders of regiments to muster their men and

The authority is contained in section 69 of the militia act which

"The governor in council may place the militia or any part thereof on active service anywhere in Canada, and also beyond Canada. for the defense thereof at any time when it appears advisable to do so by reason of emergency." HAS AMPLE AUTHORITY

TO ORDER OUT TROOPS. This section is interpreted here to carry ample authority to enable the Government to order out the present regiments of infantry troops of cavalry and batteries o artillery and send them to the firing line in Europe as fast as transports can be It is understood that as a part of the plans for mobilization the Canadian Militia Department is aiready making arrangements which will enable them to have vessels (Continued on Page Three.)

THE WEATHER



PERATURES. The following were highest and lowest tempera. tures recorded in ondon during the to 8 o'clock last 80; lowest, 45. The official tem. peratures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Higest, 72; lowest,

TOMORROW-FAIR AND WARM.

Forecasts.
Light to moderate winds; generally air and warm today and on Saturday. Temperatures.
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m.
Stations. High.
Victoria 66
Calgary 92

Parry Sound ... Montreal

Weather Notes. The high mpany says desperate fighting conhes along the River Drina. Both strians and Servians have sustained ty losses. The Austrian divisions, or fighting fiercely all day, failed to Continued on Page Three.

The high pressure area is moving stowly southward with decreasing intensity, and generally fair weather prevails throughout the Dominion. It has been moderately warm from Contrinued on Page Three. in the Western Provinces.