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## GERMANY REFUSES JAPAN'S ULTIMATUM

### BRUSSELS CALMLY AWAITS GERMAN ENTRY

#### PARTIES STAND TOGETHER FOR DEFENCE OF EMPIRE MEASURES ARE APPROVED

#### BELGIANS GIVING WAY SLOWLY DECOYING GERMANS FROM BASE AND USING BRUSSELS AS TRAP

##### Sir Robert Borden Paid Tribute to Laurier, Who Declared That All Canadians Must Stand by the Empire to Death—Premier's Earnest Appeal That Peril Must Be Met Unflinchingly Was Applauded Tumultuously.

OTTAWA, August 19.—The galleries of the house were crowded this afternoon almost to suffocation with the great throng anxious to hear the opening debate of the session. Nearly every member was in his seat, and all seemed conscious that they were taking an historic part in the most momentous chapter of Canadian history. Donald Sutherland, of South Oxford, who moved, and D. O. Laperriere, of Montserrat, who seconded the address delivered speeches, carefully prepared and as no time was wasted for a moment from their text. Both dwell upon the duty of the country to care for the families of the men who were about to risk their lives in battle for Canada and the empire, and upon the wonderful unanimity of sentiment which had united all the states of the empire and for the time had obliterated factional and political differences in Ireland, in Great Britain, in Canada and in every nation under the Union Jack.

Non-Partisan Applause  
When Sir Wilfrid Laurier rose in his place as leader of the opposition he was greeted with tumultuous applause by his party followers, in which many members of the government and a number of legislative members joined heartily. He at once declared that in the presence of a great national peril and danger to the empire, all party differences must be forgotten. "I say now what I have often said before," he asserted, "that when England is in danger—not in danger but when her strength is tested—Canada must stand by her to the death. We are British subjects and we must accept the responsibility and even the perils of that citizenship, as we have for so many years accepted its benefits."

##### Canada's Ports Menaced

Sir Wilfrid warned the house that the issue of war was always uncertain and that while Canada was in no danger of invasion, yet her maritime ports were subject to the raids of audacious corsairs. Very delicately, but unmistakably, he suggested that some provision should have been made before now for the more adequate defence of our coasts and harbours. The was, perhaps, by way of answer to a passing reference by Mr. Sutherland to the poor showing Canada had made in the past toward contributing to imperial defence. Except for these references, nothing was said on either side during the entire debate to recall the stormy party strife which for years past has cluttered about the navy questions and Canada's duty in the way of imperial defence.

##### Indicted Kaiser Strongly

Sir Wilfrid's speech was largely devoted to an indictment of the German Kaiser and his lust for conquest and power. The war now in progress, he declared, was the struggle of liberty against oppression, of democracy against autocracy, and of civilization against that return to barbarous times when the mad ambition of one man could drive a great nation of intelligent people into a cruel and unjust war. The opposition would not quarrel with the methods of the government, but would give these measures most hearty acquiescence and support. The answer of united Canada to the appeal of the mother country was, "Ready, aye, ready."

##### Premier Deeply Moved

A whirlwind of applause welcomed the prime minister when he rose to reply. He spoke with deep feeling and earnestness, pleading the justice of Britain's cause in the present contest, which he characterized as "the first general European war in a century, and the most appalling war in the history of the world." No government, he declared, had ever labored more

#### HONOR OF CANADA IS AT STAKE SOLEMN PLEDGE WILL BE KEPT

In closing a notable speech Premier Borden said: "As to our duty, all are agreed; we stand shoulder to shoulder with Britain and the other British dominions in this quarrel. And that duty we shall not fail to fulfil as the honor of Canada demands, not for love of battle, not for lust of conquest, nor for greed of possessions, but for the cause of honor, to maintain solemn pledges to uphold principles of liberty, to withstand forces that would convert the world into an armed camp, yea, in the very name that we sought peace at any cost, save that of dishonor, we have entered into this war, and while gravely conscious of the tremendous issues involved, and of all the sacrifices that may entail, we do not shrink from them, but with firm hearts we abide the event."

#### WILL INCREASE ISSUE OF NOTES

##### Additional Twenty Millions to Be Raised on Twenty-Five Per Cent. Gold Reserve.

OTTAWA, Aug. 19.—The minister of finance has given notice of an important resolution authorizing an increased issue of Dominion notes on the gold security now held in the treasury. This will enable the government to a considerable extent to finance the \$50,000,000 appropriation for war purposes. The resolution provides that Dominion notes may be issued up to \$50,000,000 with only 25 per cent of the amount held in gold in the treasury. At present the act provides that a total issue of thirty millions only shall be against a treasury holding of 25 per cent of this amount in gold. Above an issue of \$50,000,000 of Dominion notes the amount held in gold must be equal to all such excess over the amounting bill. If parliament passes the bill the Dominion will be able to issue \$20,000,000 in Dominion notes by placing \$5,000,000 in gold in the treasury and this will mean an extension of the Dominion credit by \$15,000,000.

#### SEEKING TO PREVENT INDUSTRIAL PARALYSIS

##### French Ministers of War and Agriculture Exert Strong Efforts.

Canadian Press Despatch.  
PARIS, August 19, 3 p.m.—The French minister of war and agriculture have adopted measures for the protection of blooded cattle and horses to be used for breeding purposes. An effort in this direction will be the opening of certain industrial establishments which have shut their doors, and the prevention of the closing of others. The director of foreign commerce has been instructed to see if he cannot take some steps toward the conquest of German markets and in the interest of French manufacturers.

#### MEN'S NEW FALL HATS ARE OPENED AT DINEEN'S

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#### AMERICAN DOLLARS FOR CITIZENS IN FRANCE

##### North Carolina Arrives at Cherbourg—Special Train for Relief Agents.

Canadian Press Despatch.  
PARIS, Aug. 19, 5:14 p.m.—The U. S. cruiser North Carolina arrived at Cherbourg today. Major Charles A. Heekin, who is to direct the relief in France, and several other Americans who will assist him, are due to reach Paris early tomorrow with the gold for the relief of compatriots on the continent. The French Government has placed a special train at their service.

## CABINET IS DEBATING ON WAYS AND MEANS TO AID RELIEF OF WAR DISTRESS

##### Dominion and Provincial Parliaments to Arrange Continuance of Factory Business—Back to the Farm Movement Will Be Organized in Ontario, by Hon. James Duff.

#### POPE PIUS X.

#### Germany Refuses Japan's Demands

BERLIN, Aug. 19.—It was authoritatively announced this evening that the German Government has decided to reject the ultimatum delivered by Japan that Germany restore to China Kiaochow and Tsingtau before next Sunday or suffer the consequences of such steps as Japan may deem necessary to take in the event of a refusal.



Head of the Roman Catholic Church, who died this morning, aged 79.

##### Object is to Gain Time for British and French Troops to Reach the Battle Line—Big Battle is on Along the Fifty Miles Between Diest and Dinant—German Success Would Mean the Opening of a Road Toward Paris—Official Statement Says French Army, After Slow Progress, Has Reached Morhange and is Making Rapid Advance into Alsace-Lorraine—French Cavalry Defeated Germans at Florenville—Russian Force Defeated in East Prussia and 1000 Men and Six Guns Captured.

LONDON, Aug. 19.—Advices from Brussels now indicate that a general battle between the Germans and the allied armies of France, Great Britain and Belgium is taking place along the fifty-mile line extending from Diest to Dinant. The heaviest fighting is reported to be at Gembloux, Jodoigne and Tirlemont. Unusually rigid censorship of despatches at this time adds to the probability of a general engagement. It is safe to assume that the Belgians are giving way slowly before the German onslaught, but in so doing they are evidently gaining the necessary time for the British to come up and for the French to extend their lines around Namur.

##### FRENCH STRATEGICAL PLAN.

It is believed here that part of the strategical plan of the French is to withdraw gradually before the German offensive, and in this way decoy the German columns into France toward the Rheims-La Fere-Lacon barrier forts, and all the time farther from their base, while, in the meantime, the French columns are advancing on the Rhine. The likelihood that the Belgians will not make so much resistance at Brussels, the late capital, as the Germans have been reporting, is growing into a firm belief here, the idea being that the Belgians are using the city as a trap for the Kaiser's men, and that while the Teutons are rejoicing over the seizing of the Belgian City, the allies will be enabled to strike a blow which would mean the practical annihilation of all the German soldiery in and about Brussels. German success in the present general fighting would mean that the Kaiser will open a road toward Paris and into northern France. France is opening a way into south Germany and leading to Berlin. If the German offensive should fail, French armies would be nearer than the German forces in Belgium and northern France, both to the Rhine and Berlin.

##### CHANGES IN THE MAP.

Whichever side wins in the war, the map of Europe doubtless will undergo considerable change. It is generally conceded that territorial conditions in Europe cannot fully measure a victory either for the triple entente or for the Kaiser. The main changes, regarded from the viewpoint of vastness, would take place outside of Europe—especially in Africa. France has a colonial empire of four and three-quarter million square miles, with a native population of more than forty millions, more than nine-tenths of it in Africa. Germany's colonies are more than a million square miles, with a population of fourteen millions, nine-tenths of it in Africa. Belgium has the Congo, a solid empire of 900,000 square miles, rich in natural resources, with a population of 15,000,000. Should the Netherlands be drawn into the fray, they have their rich East Indian colonies at stake, 736,000 square miles, with a population of 38,000,000. Even Portugal, whose announcement of fidelity to the British alliance has now been made, has thrown into the ring nearly 800,000 square miles of African territory, with a population of nearly 10,000,000.

##### FRENCH OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

Canadian Press Despatch.  
PARIS, Aug. 19.—(10:55 p.m.)—The following official statement was given out tonight: "Latest advices are to the effect that the French army has reached Morhange, in Alsace-Lorraine, 19 miles southeast of Metz. Our advance was very rapid in the afternoon beyond the River Seille, especially the central part of our line. At the end of the day we reached Delme, on one side, and Morhange on the other. "There is little change in the situation in upper Alsace. We continue to advance in Vosges. The Germans have retaken the Village of Ville, where we had an outpost. Our troops, debouching on the Seille, have occupied Chateau Salins and Dieuse, but face well fortified and strongly held positions. Our progress at first was necessarily slow. "Our cavalry has had a successful encounter with the Germans at Florenville, Belgium. Very large German forces, it is announced, are crossing the Meuse between Liège and Namur. "One of the French brigadiers has asked the commander-in-chief to make public the following fact: The French Hussar made prisoner was dragged by German soldiers into an Alsatian village and his throat was cut before the villagers, who testify to the deed."

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