

CRUISER SHEARWATER REACHES VANCOUVER

Heavy Firing heard yesterday in the English Channel — Powerful Nations to Deal with Charges against Germany in violating Hague and Geneva Agreements.

Special Cables to The Standard Through International News Service.

Washington, Aug. 13.—"We are at war with Austria," was the statement officially authorized today by Charles B. Bryan, Secretary of the State, after visiting Secretary Bryan, who asked Bryan to take over the British government's affairs in Austria.

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BRITAIN CONTINUES POLICY OF SILENCE ABOUT HER WARSHIPS

London, Aug. 13.—The strength of the British fleet in the Mediterranean is unknown, as no movements of warships have been made public since the first outbreak of hostilities. It is known, however, that France has the bulk of her fleet in the Mediterranean, so that no apprehension exists as to the safety of trade routes through that sea, now that it seems certain that the German cruisers Goeben and Breslau are out of action.

The official press bureau here, describing today the disposition of British cruisers in the Atlantic and elsewhere, expressly urges traders of all nations doing business with Great Britain to send their cargoes confidently and boldly to sea in British or neutral ships in all directions except the North Sea, where owing to mines and the probability of naval operations no guarantee can yet be given, although as announced yesterday, passenger ships are again running.

In the field of land operations, little change has occurred since yesterday. It must be remembered, in considering all the published reports of military operations, that these despatches emanate almost exclusively from the side of the allied French and Belgian armies.

Nothing whatever comes from the German and Austrian side relating to military movements or dispositions, and only occasionally a brief item describing the result of past engagements is made public from those quarters.

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London, Aug. 13.—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Basel, Switzerland, says:

Following a terrible battle at Muelhausen, the hospital facilities proved absolutely inadequate to care for the almost incredible number of wounded. Not only are all the hospitals filled, but schools, churches and hotels are occupied to their capacity. Even then, special trains to convey the wounded to Mulheim and St. Ludwig and other towns. The latest estimates place the German losses at from eight to ten thousand.

Paris, Aug. 13 (via London).—An official communication states that the forts at Liege are still holding out, and that the Belgian troops in the west of the city resumed the offensive and after a lively struggle, drove the Germans back and recaptured ground that had been lost.

The Belgians have blown up a number of bridges on the railway lines in the German rear in the Landen district, thus cutting them off from their base of supplies.

Paris, Aug. 13 (via London).—An official communication, issued at Brussels, contradicts the report that Germans are strongly re-entrenching their positions in the vicinity of Liege. It adds that the cavalry is terribly falling back and that only a part of the city of Liege is being fortified by the Germans. The bombardment of the forts was resumed yesterday, but they still hold out.

London, Aug. 13.—"The French situation at Muelhausen is good, and the general war news from Paris is quite satisfactory," said the French ambassador, M. Cambon, to our correspondent today, after receiving a number of despatches from his government. He was notified that the Liege forts were still intact.

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THE MT. ROYAL TOOK THE TIP AND "BEAT IT"

Innocently Conversing With German Cruiser Off Newfoundland — Mauretanian's Admonition to Keep Going Probably Saved C. P. R. Boat from Capture.

Montreal, Aug. 12.—The C. P. R. liner Mount Royal knows more about the German cruiser in the Atlantic than any other vessel, having innocently held a conversation with the German and Austrian side relating to military movements or dispositions, and only occasionally a brief item describing the result of past engagements is made public from those quarters.

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SAYS GERMANS SHOT DOWN HOSTAGES

French Paper Complains of Barbarous Methods of Enemy—Govt. Guarantee to Bank of England Against Loss.

(Special Standard Cable Through International News Service.)

Paris, Aug. 12.—An official communique issued at 6 o'clock this evening says:

"The engagements which have taken place up to the present show that our artillery has a marked advantage over the German artillery."

"In all engagements this week, the Germans have resorted to the barbarous method of shooting hostages without reason."

London, Aug. 12.—An official statement to the Exchange Telegraph Company says the government has agreed to guarantee the Bank of England against loss incurred in discounting bills of exchange either at the home of foreign bank on trade accepted prior to August 4, 1914.

The Official Press Bureau of the War Office gave out a statement to-night, that there is good reason to believe that the forts surrounding Liege, Belgium, are still intact.

A news agency despatch from Athens reports that the German cruisers Goeben and Breslau have entered the Dardanelles and are searching for foreign steamers in the straits.

Paris, Aug. 12.—Swiss authorities have arrested seven German chapeaux, who had been driven into Swiss territory by French cavalry.

More than four hundred Germans who had been taken prisoner by the French, have been sent to the south-west of France.

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