

DECLARATION AGAINST AUSTRIA TODAY

BIG LAND BATTLE IS EXPECTED TO REPEL INVADING GERMANS

NO NEWS RECEIVED FROM BRITISH FLEET AS YET IN THE NORTH SEA

WAR ON AUSTRIA IS NOW DECLARED BY GREAT BRITAIN

LONDON, Aug. 13.—It is officially announced that a state of war has existed between Great Britain and Austria-Hungary since midnight.

Hungary has interfered in the conflict by declaring war on Russia who already was fighting on the side of France.

A GREAT BATTLE IS NOW BEING WAGED

Believed That Belgium is The Scene of the First Great Terrible Conflict of the War --- Britain Today Controls the Seas --- Summary of Today's War News.

LONDON, Aug. 13.—The war between the nations of Europe today became further regularized with the formal declaration of war on Austria-Hungary by Great Britain.

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

BRUSSELS, Aug. 13, via London 4.30 a.m.—Though there is a general idea that a big battle has begun, the only official news that came to hand late last night gave no indication where fighting was occurring.

Yesterday for the first time German prisoners were seen here. They were young officers with spiked helmets covered with brown Holland cloth to render them less conspicuous.

The Belgian authorities are preserving well the secret of the operations of the military. A member of the chamber of deputies said yesterday that even he and his colleagues were ignorant of such

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PACIFIC SEABOARD MAY HAVE FIGHT AT ANY TIME NOW

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.—According to the Captain of the German Cruiser Leipzig, now off this port, eight war vessels flying the flags of belligerent nations are daily expecting conflict with one or more of its adversaries.

ARRIVE AT VANCOUVER VANCOUVER, B.C., Aug. 13.—The Canadian Cruiser Rainbow reached Victoria at 6 a.m. today conveying the British man-of-war Shearwater. The Argentine is expected in later to-day.

GERMAN ARE CHESTY SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.—The German cruiser Leipzig, now off this port is stripped for action, all deck woodwork having been jettisoned.

"We had many fine boats," said Lieut. Standke to a newspaperman who visited the vessel. "They included a beautiful steam launch and a motor launch, the Leipzig's pride. But we decided that nothing should be left to encumber us when we engaged the enemy.

We took all our boats and towed them out from the ship. We then loaded our four inchers.

"It was splendid practice. Every shot took effect and our boats disappeared."

Among the eight hostile craft which the officers of the Leipzig boasted they would sink, one a day, the following were given.

The British Rainbow and sloops of war Algerine and Shearwater, now off the California coast, the French cruiser Montcalm, of the Mexican coast, and two unidentified cruisers of the Australian navy which are believed to be sailing in the direction of San Francisco. The Montcalm is an armored cruiser of 9,337 tons, carrying two 7.7 inch, eight 6.4 inch and four 3 inch guns, sixteen 3 pounders, six machine guns, and two torpedo tubes.

STREWN WITH DEAD SEVERAL DEEP---ONE DAY'S BIG BATTLE

BRUSSELS, via London, Aug. 13.—The fighting yesterday between the Belgian and German armies in the vicinity of Diest lasted the entire day and constituted the first considerable battle of the war. It will be known as the Battle of Haelen. Shells were still falling at half-past seven in the evening on the roads around Diest.

The battle centred around Haelen, in the Belgian province of Limbourg, extending to Diest in the north of the province of Brabant, after passing round Zeelhem. At seven last evening all the country about the three towns mentioned had been cleared of German troops, except the dead and wounded, who were thickly strewn about the fire zone.

Upwards of 200 dead German soldiers were counted in a space of 50 yards square.

A church, a brewery and some houses in Haelen were set afire, and two bridges over the Demer were destroyed by Belgian engineers. Great quantities of booty were collected on the battlefield, and this has been stacked in front of the town hall of Diest. Many horses also were captured.

LOCAL GERMAN ASKS PERMISSION TO LEAVE CITY

Gives View of War in Which He Blames Official Clique in Germany.

The view of a German of the respectable class, upon the war between the European powers, was expressed this morning at the sergeant's office when Ernest Collins, a Tinton and his wife called to explain that he desired to travel a short distance and that his intentions were strictly peaceful.

LOST HIS ROLL

One of the Showmen Was Touchered for \$150 Last Night.

John Fitzsimmons, a showman, was victimized to the extent of \$150 last night. He had upon him that sum when he with four pals entered Campbell's restaurant, and when he got up this morning he looked around a bit and felt for his wallet. It was missing and he could find no trace of it whatever.

There was \$150 in it and he got anxious and complained to the police who are now investigating the case. A number of minor cases of pocket picking were reported to the police but they have not made any arrests as yet, apart from the man arrested on Tuesday. They however, confidently assert that there is not an expert craftsman in town or they would have known it before now.

BRANTFORD SOLDIERS ARE ON WAR FOOTING LEAVE NEXT WEEK

Starting to-day, everyone of the 150 Brantford volunteers who have passed their medical examination and ranked as first-class medically fit, will drill regularly, morning and afternoon. Orders for mobilization were received by Colonel Howard this morning from the Adjutant-General at Ottawa, which means that the Brantford contingent is now placed on a war instead of a peace footing.

BERMUDA IS BOTTLED UP BY BRITISH

Martial Law There, and 100 German Reservists Are Held.

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—The taking of the German tank steamer Leda, a prize probably worth a quarter of a million dollars, by a prize crew from the British steamer Suffolk, and there are upwards of 100 German reservists in Bermuda as prisoners of war, were confirmed by Captain R. L. Daniels, of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Caribbean, which arrived this noon from Bermuda. Similar confirmation was brought by the Bermudian of the Quebec Steamship Company.

"On the second day out of our southward voyage last week," said Captain Daniels of the Caribbean, "we were chased by an unknown cruiser until the officers of the warship apparently were satisfied with our identity. With that exception, our experience has been practically uneventful. On our way north we saw nothing of any warships and had no wireless signals except the report of Admiral Sir Christopher Craddock of the British cruiser Suffolk to the effect that all was safe for shipping in the west Atlantic. This was a relief, for the weather was hazy all the way north.

"Martial law is in full force in Bermuda. None of the crews of steamers is allowed ashore. The streets are patrolled by soldiers from the British garrison and the volunteers have been called out. With the exception of the activities at the fortifications and the seizure of all German reservists, there is no great excitement whatever. The authorities have taken upwards of 100 of these reservists and made them prisoners of war on Prince's Island, in the harbor.

Two drownings occurred in the neighborhood of Windsor, the victims being Arthur B. Lobb, bookkeeper for the Ford Motor Co., and Wm. Mathewson.

POLICE COURT LOOKED LIKE A DRILL HALL

Hungarians Discharged for Concealing Weapons in House on Pearl Street.

The police court resembled the armory of a Drill Hall this morning when three Hungarians John Koczag, Geo. Perge and James Kirczhilgrer, were charged with concealing weapons. They were the three whose house was raided Monday by Sgt. Wallace and police constables.

They pleaded not guilty to the charge through their solicitor W. A. Hollinrake.

Sergt. Wallace gave the story of the arrests and told of the weapons and ammunition produced, two Winchester repeaters and three shot guns with 1,000 rounds of ammunition, besides uniforms, ropes and binoculars. He was of opinion that the men were preparing for war and did not believe their story of the northwest trip. He thought the glasses were perhaps to be used to locate the enemy. His knowledge of military uniforms was not expert, therefore he could not swear that those produced were of the Austrian or Hungarian army. It was uncommon, for men so loaded up with arms for a Northwest trip.

Mr Hollinrake asked if he had ever known an Englishman to go to Burford with as much and the sergeant said he had not.

A strong witness for the defence was Dr. Nicol to whom the foreigners had spoken with regard to going out West to establish a homestead and also on a hunting trip. It was about three weeks ago, since they had first mentioned a Northwest trip to him as they desired an introduction in order to secure good connections.

George Perge, giving evidence said he had been in Canada nine years, and had no desire to go back to the Old Country. He was seventeen years of age when he left and had never served in the Austrian army. The

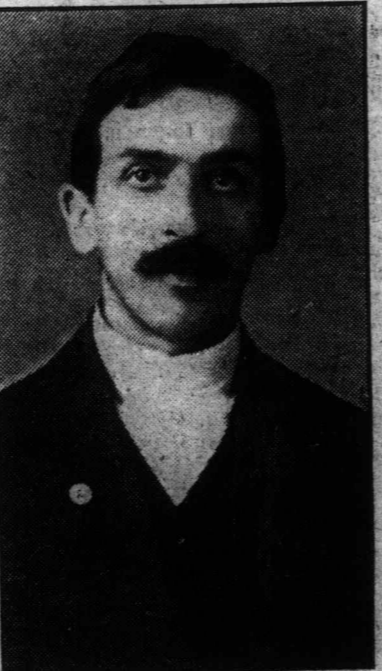
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FRATERNAL DAY PROVED GREAT RECORD BREAKER FOR THE CITY OF BRANTFORD

Thousands Came into City Yesterday and Holiday Spirit Was at its Height --- Parade Was Feature --- Celebration Was Orderly Observed --- Prize Winners are Given.

- FRATERNAL PARADE PRIZES. 100—For Best appearing body—S. O. E. \$50—For largest and best dressed, visiting band—Middleport Band. \$50—For best float (presented by High Court C. O. F. won by S. O. E. \$25—For second best float—Catholic Societies. \$25—For the best appearing Marshal, F. Mason of K. O. T. M.

ANDREW LEE



Secretary of the Fraternal Day Committee.

of every ten families in the city. The city was aroused as it has never been in many a day, probably never. And the excitement and gaiety at no time diminished. From early morning until late at night, the city was alive as they have never before here or in any other city. The whole day was a great success and those who predicted that Old Home Week would be a

It seemed as if nature recognized that this was the one day of the week that belonged to the people. The Mayor had proclaimed the day a holiday so as to give the thousands of men who work in office, shop and factory, and who are fraternal men, an opportunity to attend the parade and the general festivities of the day.

When one calls out the fraternalities of a city, he calls out the heart and soul of that city. Men of every degree and position, are linked together in a brotherly relationship that nothing but death can sever, and this relationship involves the families of the fraternal men—hence the crowds yesterday. Young Tommy's day is high up in the Forters and young Paul's older brother is a past president of the C. M. B. A. Does anyone think you can keep those boys away from a fraternal parade. Not much. When the Old Boys Week executive planned a fraternal day, they decided on something that would vitally interest eight

J. F. VAN-LANE



Chairman of the Fraternal Day Committee.

AMUSEMENTS ANT THEATRE Fail to See the Big Special Attractions for Old Home Week THE MARMEEEN FOUR Spectacular Musical Act FRANCIS GRIFFIS and CAPMAN BROS. Topsy Singing and Dancing Trio ALMYRO Comedy Ladder Equilibrist Series The Million Dollar Mystery Show for Week-End Attractions

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