

French Troops Invade German Territory

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GERMAN TORPEDO FLOTILLA RAIDS SHIPS IN Humber

Four British War Vessels in Waterway Leading to Hull Are Reported Sunk.

NEWS BY WAY OF NEW YORK

Number of the Attacking Craft Reported Lost During the Engagement.

LACKS OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION

Report Tallies with Statement of May Be Unfavorable.

ACCEPT FORTUNES OF WAR

News of Sinking of Amphion Causes Little Excitement.

MANY GERMANS ARE ARRESTED

War Office Convinced that Kaiser Has Maintained Complete System of Espionage in England for Years.

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—Private cable advices in New York report that a flotilla of German torpedo boats has attacked British warships in the Humber, the waterway to Hull, on the east coast of England, sinking four of them.

A number of the attacking German torpedo boats were lost. The report tallies with yesterday's declaration of the British admiralty that the first news of the war might be unfavorable. The date of this engagement is not given.

Commons Denounces Fake Reports.

LONDON, Aug. 8.—Heated condemnation was voiced in the House of Commons today of the dissemination of false news concerning the war such as that published in regard to a great naval battle off the coast of Holland.

"It was absolutely false," said Reginald McKenna, the home secretary, and he expressed the hope that the House would join him in the strongest condemnation of the publication of such reports. He continued:

"I do not say it was willfully done in this case, but it might be willfully done in order to assist the circulation of a paper.

"The publication of false news is a misdemeanor and now that a press bureau with a constant stream of reliable information has been established the public has the right to expect that no such news will be published except when furnished by the press bureau."

Mr. McKenna added that he was confident of the unanimous opinion of the House.

Czechs in Bohemian Regiments Are Shot

PARIS, Aug. 7.—(8:30 p. m.)—An official dispatch received at the war office here states that the Austrians shot a number of Czech soldiers in the Bohemian regiments before the latter left for the scene of war.

Hamlin is Governor of Reserve Board

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—Charles S. Hamlin of Boston has been selected for governor of the federal reserve board and Frederic A. Delano of Chicago has been elected vice governor.

Austrian Troops Burn Russian Towns

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 8.—(Via London)—1:40 p. m.—Austrian troops crossed the Russian frontier near the Roumanian border today and burned some villages.

The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Sunday:
For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity
—Fair Sunday; somewhat cooler.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday	Hrs.	Deg.
5 a. m.	59	
6 a. m.	57	
7 a. m.	55	
8 a. m.	53	
9 a. m.	51	
10 a. m.	50	
11 a. m.	49	
12 m.	48	
1 p. m.	47	
2 p. m.	46	
3 p. m.	45	
4 p. m.	44	
5 p. m.	43	
6 p. m.	42	
7 p. m.	41	
8 p. m.	40	
9 p. m.	39	
10 p. m.	38	
11 p. m.	37	
12 m.	36	

Comparative Local Record.

1914	1913	1912	1911
Highest yesterday	77	70	70
Lowest yesterday	37	32	32
Mean temperature	57	52	52
Precipitation	.00	T	.30

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal:

Normal temperature	Excess for the day	Total excess since March 1
59	18	371
Normal precipitation	12.10	12.10
Deficiency for the day	12.10	12.10
Total rainfall since March 1	1.50	1.50
Deficiency since March 1	10.60	10.60
Deficiency for cor. period, 1913	3.75	3.75
Deficiency for cor. period, 1912	3.13	3.13

Indicates trace of precipitation.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.



Drawn for The Bee by Powell.

REPUBLICANS IN OLD-TIME RALLY

Huge Crowd Gathers at Florence to Hear Speeches and Eat Roast Beef

YEISER, ALONE, TALKS HARSHLY

Jeffers, the Only Speaker Not a Candidate for Office, Reviews Past Achievements and Brilliant Future.

It was probably the biggest republican rally since the free old campaigns of 1888 and 1892 that was staged at Florence, Nebraska, yesterday afternoon and evening. It was scheduled for 7 o'clock. Long before that time the crowds began to gather in the park at Florence. Every car from Omaha carried loads jammed into the seats and clinging to the straps.

The crowd was treated to speaking by the candidates. That was food for the stomach also.

For soon after daylight in the morning began the roasting of two oxen in an enormous sheet iron roaster built for the purpose. But they were not stuck on spits and turned and turned over a fire to be burned to a crisp on the outside, left rare in the middle, and then cropped into the ashes by accident at the finish.

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Final Arrangements for Funeral of Mrs. Wilson Completed

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—Final arrangements made today for the funeral of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the president. The services will be held at the White House on Monday and in Rome, Italy, Tuesday. The funeral will be the simplest. Every effort will be made to conduct the funeral as if the president were a private citizen.

Secretary Tumulty said in addition to the committees of the senate and house and members of the cabinet, only relatives and a few of the closest personal friends would attend the services. Only the family and a few intimate friends will go with the body to Rome for the burial.

Members of the congressional committee will not go to Georgia because of the president's desire that work of congress shall go on.

Both senate and house, however, will adjourn from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m. Monday while the funeral services are going on at the White House.

Attendees from the White House will carry the body from the east room to the hearse, and then it will be taken directly to a special train.

The Rev. Sylvester Beach of Princeton, N. J., the pastor of the Wilson family and Rev. J. H. Taylor of the Central Presbyterian church, Washington, will conduct the services at the White House. The pastor of the Presbyterian church of Rome, of which Mrs. Wilson's father was formerly in charge, will conduct the services at Myrtle Hill cemetery.

The funeral train will leave Washington at 4 p. m. Monday afternoon and will arrive in Rome at about 3 p. m. Tuesday. The last services will be conducted immediately and soon afterwards the funeral party will return to Washington, arriving here late Wednesday afternoon.

The president appeared at the executive offices today in an all-white suit, with a band of black about one sleeve. Policemen who have been stationed at the White House for many years have been selected to carry the casket from the East room to the hearse.

Steel Works Gives French Government Big Guns Batteries

PARIS, Aug. 8.—(11:30 p. m.)—The Creusot Steel works has presented to the French government twenty-six complete batteries of 105-millimeter guns of a new type, which had been ordered by a foreign government just before the war broke out. The company informed the government that it stood ready to pay indemnity for the nonexecution of the contract. As the manipulation of the guns requires special knowledge, a number of Creusot workmen have enlisted to handle them. The gift represents a value of over \$500,000.

MOORHEAD PLAYS PARTY FAVORITES

Makes it Hard for Republican Voters to Get Their Names on Registration Books.

EASY FOR THE DEMOCRATS

Democrats Are Shown Preference When They Appear at Commissioner's Office to Register for Coming Primaries.

"Voting used to be an inestimable privilege, but now it is a privilege with which the election commissioner is deciding whether to make it hard or easy for me," declared a sarcastic would-be voter, as he abandoned his attempt to register. "I know and others know that men who are known to be republicans are given the worst of it, but what can we prove?"

Complaints rose to the heavens from all sides yesterday concerning the manner in which the election commissioner was conducting his office during the rush of final registration for the coming primary. The principal complaint was that democrats found it easy to register without loss of time, but that republicans were kept waiting and otherwise annoyed. A throng of voters besieged the few clerks all day and until late at night.

Another source of woe was the clerk in the election commissioner's office who, some "cranky" voters complained, devoted too much attention to a cigarette, while busy men were waiting for attention. Others complained that more facilities for handling the crowd should have been provided.

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The Higher Appeal

GERMANS FORCED TO TAKE DEFENSIVE

FRENCH TROOPS ARE HELPING IN LIEGE DEFENSE

Summary of War Situation

Indications that both British and French troops are hurrying to the assistance of the Belgians are given in French official dispatches. The extent of the reinforcements French cavalry is said to have arrived at Liege, where masses of German troops are reported moving forward to support the strong advance guard which was checked by the Belgians, and, according to reports from Belgian sources, lost 25,000 men in killed, wounded and prisoners. The German war office declares the German check not a defeat, but the result of an heroic attempt of a small German force to advance in face of difficulties.

French and German troops are said to have come into contact in Luxembourg, where several German army corps are supposed to have concentrated.

Numbers of Germans have been arrested in England on suspicion of spying.

Portugal decided to act as ally to Great Britain under the terms of an old treaty by which it must supply 10,000 men.

A French newspaper dispatch reports the sinking of the German cruiser Augsburg in the Baltic sea by a Russian torpedo boat.

A big Norwegian steamer struck a mine on the Dutch coast and was beached.

Transatlantic lines running from Glasgow suspended their sailings, causing the stranding of many Americans and Canadians. The Bank of England reduced its discount to 5 per cent owing to the improvement in the monetary situation.

BRITISH TROOPS IN FRANCE

Twenty Thousand Land at Three Important Places.

GO TO ASSIST BELGIANS

Proceed at Once in the Direction of Namur, to the West of Liege, on Their Way to Meet German Forces.

PARIS, Aug. 8.—(8:05 p. m.)—It is officially reported that French troops have entered Muelhausen.

PARIS, Aug. 8.—(3:45 p. m.)—French troops today entered Alsace and captured the village of Altkirch near the Swiss frontier, seventeen miles west of Basel.

The official report of the French invasion of Alsace today says the French troops crossed into Alsace and delivered a fierce attack on the German forces at Altkirch. The French troops took the village, a place of nearly 4,000 inhabitants. The German forces retreated, pursued by the French troops in the direction of the great fortress of Muelhausen.

The Alsatian natives were so delighted at the arrival of the French soldiers that they tore up the frontier post.

British Land in France.

PARIS, Aug. 8.—(11:30 p. m.)—It was officially announced this afternoon that 20,000 English troops already had been landed at Ostend, Calais and Dunkirk. They are now proceeding toward Namur to the west of Liege on their main railroad line to assist the Belgians.

GREEDY RICH BRITONS TRY TO CORNER FOOD SUPPLY IN LONDON

LONDON, Aug. 8.—(11:15 p. m.)—Walter Runciman, secretary of agriculture, introduced a bill into the House of Commons today giving the British government power to seize all the food stuffs.

The bill passed through all its stages. Mr. Runciman said his reason for introducing the bill was that he termed the "greed of wealthy people, who with a long line of automobiles had disrespected themselves by cornering the large stocks of provisions and causing great suffering among the poorer classes."

He said he believed the panic was now over, but the government wished to be prepared in case of necessity.

GERMANS ACCUSED OF SHOOTING CHILDREN

PARIS, Aug. 8.—(1:32 p. m.)—Count Albert De Mun, of the conservative leaders in the Chamber of Deputies, writes over his signature to a newspaper here today:

"It was related to me by a friend that twelve Danish children who were on a German train going to the frontier carried away by the imprudence of their youth and the fervor of their young hearts, shouted: 'Vive la France.' They were immediately dragged out of the train and four of them were picked out and shot."

SERVIAN ARMY HAS INVADED AUSTRIA

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LONDON, Aug. 8.—(Special Cablegram to The New York World and The Omaha Bee.)—The Times today has the following from Nish: The Serbian army has invaded Austria at Uvata, which has been abandoned by the enemy after setting fire to the barracks. The place is in flames. Outpost skirmishing is the only fighting going on.

NEPHEW OF KAISER REPORTED CAPTURED

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LONDON, Aug. 8.—(Special Cablegram to The Bee and The New York World.)—The French forces have effected a junction with the Belgians and it is reported that a nephew of the kaiser was in command of the German forces which were reported captured.

GERMANS FIGHT LISTLESSLY

Soldiers Seem to Lack Enthusiasm—Captured Officers Try to Pass Themselves Off as Frenchmen.

BULLETIN.

LONDON, Aug. 8.—(5 a. m.)—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Brussels says that a division of German cavalry which had succeeded in fording the Meuse to the north of Liege was surprised and practically annihilated by Belgian cavalry and infantry, supported by a battery of light artillery. The German rout was complete. Seven German regiments surrounded.

BULLETIN.

LONDON, Aug. 8.—(7 a. m.)—According to late dispatches this morning quite an important engagement between French and Germans occurred in Belgian Luxembourg.

The Etelle Beige of Brussels learns from an official source that no decision has been reached on the question of an armistice at Liege, an engagement having begun elsewhere.

BULLETIN.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 8.—(Via London Aug. 6.)—The War office has issued an official statement saying that 125,000 Germans participated in the assault on the forts at Liege, but that they completely failed to make any impression on the fortifications. Three army corps engaged in the attack were cut up and rendered useless, it is declared.

LONDON, Aug. 8.—All eyes were turned today toward Belgium, where the unexpected stand made by the Belgian army against a German advance guard has earned praise in all quarters.

The authorities here have taken the greatest precautions to prevent the leakage of information as to military and naval movements, but indications were seen in the com-

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GERMAN HOST TO AID HALTING ARMY

Crown Prince Said to Be at Head of Reinforcing Army of Eight Hundred Thousand.

MOVE SOUTH ALONG THE MEUSE

Cross River Under Fire of Belgian Guns and Reach the Left Bank—Great Streaming Mass of Humanity.

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LONDON, Aug. 8.—(Special Cablegram to New York World and Omaha Bee.)—Hugh Martin, the Daily News correspondent, wired from Rotterdam Thursday night: "Speaking to Dutch across the frontier at Eysen this afternoon, the Germans declared that the crown prince with 800,000 men is at Verriers. Six pontoon bridges were thrown across the Meuse south of Vise yesterday and by 5 o'clock this morning a large force had crossed to the left bank under the fire of the Belgian guns. The army then began to move south on both sides of the river blowing up a number of

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GERMAN CRUISERS ARE MAKING FOR ADRIATIC

LONDON, Aug. 8.—(11:13 p. m.)—A telegram from Rome to the Central News says semaphores on the south coast of Italy report the German cruisers Goeben and Breslau making for the Adriatic. A request to the Austrian fleet for aid was refused on the ground that there had been no declaration of war between Austria-Hungary and Great Britain.

BRITISH FORCE SEIZES PORT LOME AFRICA

LONDON, Aug. 8.—(11:30 p. m.)—A British force on the gold coast of West Africa, has seized Port Lome, German Togoland.

GRAIN EXCHANGE WILL CLOSE AT NOON MONDAY

The Omaha Grain exchange will close at noon Monday out of sympathy of its members for President Wilson in his bereavement.

ENOUGH GERMANS TO FORM REGIMENT ARE ARRESTED

LONDON, Aug. 8.—Enough German reservists to form a large regiment were taken in custody today by the police in provincial towns of the British Isles.

Announcement Extraordinary: The Bee has perfected exclusive arrangements with the New York World for special war news service for the benefit of our readers--this in addition to the full Associated Press reports.