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## WAR AND PEACE SIDE BY SIDE—Belgian Peasants Reaping Grain in Same Field in Which the Soldiers Are Digging Ditches on the Outskirts of Liege After the Germans Had Made Their Assault on the Ports.



### BERNSTORFF SURE KAISER WILL WIN

France and Britain Defeated on Land, Asserts Ambassador to United States.

TEUTONS CANNOT BE BEATEN

German Navy Intended Simply a Coast Defense, Rather Than an Invading Power, Says Minister.

**BULLETIN.**—LONDON, Sept. 1.—The correspondent of the Express at The Hague wires his paper that Emperor William has gone to the Russian frontier.

**NEW YORK, Sept. 1.**—Count Johann von Bernstorff, the German ambassador to the United States, received from Berlin two more messages which were made public here tonight. One of them told of the capture of about 30,000 Russian soldiers and many high officers, as previously announced by the German embassy at Washington. The other message read: "Rotterdam newspaper correspondent is an eye witness of the perfidious attack of the population of Louvain on German troops. Officers of general staff found with throats cut. In Louvain machines for the fabrication of dum dum cartridges were found."

**Text Garbled.**—Here the text of the message became so garbled as to be unintelligible. The words "evacuated" and "French garrison" and "5,000" appeared. Discussing the conflict the ambassador said it was "the war of the German nation, man for man."

"Germany did not begin the war," he said. "It did not want war; it is and always has been willing to have peace." France and Great Britain are defeated on land, the ambassador declared, and have only recruits or volunteers to send against the Germans.

"We cannot be beaten," he said. "That is why we have taken about 40,000 men from the western border to the eastern border to precipitate against the Russians."

**Can Cope with Allies.**—Count von Bernstorff said that Germany has more than enough trained and thoroughly equipped men still on the western border to cope with the combined attacks of the allies, even with their replenishment of reserves.

He said that the winning of the war on land was the all-important thing since the defeat of the German navy by a greater navy was not unexpected, the German navy being intended simply as a coast defense rather than an invading power.

**Excursion Boat RACES WITH FIRE**

struck the breakwater. The passengers, most of them in their night clothes, were landed and the flames were subdued after a three-hour fight by the fire tugs. The burning steamer settled a few feet, but it will be possible to rehabilitate it, it is said.

**Captain Avoids Panic.**—To avoid a panic the passengers who were asleep in their state rooms were not called until the boat was near the breakwaters. The passengers were unanimous in their praise of the work of the ship's crew.

The City of Chicago belonged to the Graham & Morton Transportation company and had been in use since 1890 as an excursion boat. It left Benton Harbor late last night bound for Chicago.

**Barn Burned Near Magnolia.**—LOGAN, Ia., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—The Frank Hill farm alfalfa barn, two and one-half miles east of Magnolia, was struck with a bolt of lightning and destroyed by fire at 4 o'clock yesterday morning. It was a large building and contained sixty tons of excellent alfalfa. The loss is said to be partially covered by insurance.

### French War Office Describes Situation in General Along Various Battle Fronts at Considerable Length

PARIS, Sept. 1.—The following official statement was issued by the war office this evening:

"The situation in general is actually as follows:

"First—In Vosges and in Lorraine, it must be remembered our forces, which had taken the offensive at the beginning of the operations and driven the enemy outside of our frontiers, afterward underwent serious checks. Before Sarrebourg and in the region of Morhange, where they encountered very solid defensive works, our forces were obliged to fall back and to reform. One part on Courmeuve de Nancy and the other on the French Vosges.

"The Germans then assumed the offensive, but our troops, after having thrown them back upon their positions, resumed the offensive two days ago. This attack continues to make progress, although slowly. It is a veritable war of sieges, as each position occupied is immediately fortified.

"This explains the slowness of our advance, which is, nevertheless, characterized each day by fresh local successes."

"Second—The region of Nancy and southern Wever since the beginning of the campaign in this section, between Metz on the German side and Toul and Verdun on the French side, has not been the theater of important operations.

"Third—In the direction of the Meuse between Verdun and Maizeres, it will be remembered the French forces took the offensive in the beginning towards Longwy, Neufchateau and Paliseul. The troops operating in the region of Spincourt and Longuyon have been able to check the enemy's army under the command of the German crown prince.

"In the regions of Neufchateau and Paliseul, on the other hand, certain of our troops, have received partial checks, which obliged them to retire upon the

### BELGIANS BRING WORD OF HORRORS

Commissioners Arrive in London Carrying Message to the United States.

**SAY PEOPLE ARE MADE SLAVES**

In Addition to Suffering Loss of Cities and Property, Peasants Forced to Harvest German Crops.

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LONDON, Sept. 1.—(Special Cablegram to New York World and Omaha Bee.)—Bringing a message of thanks from King Albert to King George for what England has done for Belgium the commissioners of high officials appointed by the king to visit America to inform the people of the United States of German atrocities arrived here tonight. At noon tomorrow they will be received by King George to present their message.

They will depart for America in a few days. Their plans are not fully made but they will go to New York, thence to Washington. Their mission is entirely official and the facts from their side will be placed before the government at Washington.

**Hope for Outburst.**—Although Belgium now contemplates no request for American action, feeling that in view of the American declaration of neutrality this would be improper, there is no secret they hope that when the American people learn the full truth about what happened in Belgium there will be a spontaneous outburst of indignation which may bring some definite results. If it does not, the officials feel that merely laying bare their facts will have a splendid effect on the ultimate settlement of the war.

Members of the mission make no effort to conceal their indignation and are unable to find words to express their bitter condemnation.

The latest phase of the German wrong-doing, coming after the Zeppelin exploit at Antwerp and the burning of Louvain and other cities, is the German seizure of hundreds of Belgian peasants and forcibly taking them to Germany, where they are forced to assist in harvesting.

Count de Lochtervelde, secretary of the Belgium prime minister and now secretary of the American mission, commenting upon this phase, said tonight:

"It is a return to savagery. Our people are being made slaves and forced to work in German fields. It is what they did in the dark ages."

He said also that the story which the mission carries to America is horrible, and added: "Belgium is not looking for sympathy, but wants the full truth of German atrocities known."

**Rich Belgians Have Guaranteed War Tax Levied by Germans**

LONDON, Sept. 1.—(3:10 a. m.)—A dispatch to the Express from The Hague says the four richest men in Belgium have guaranteed the payment to Germany of the war tax which the Germans levied against Belgium. The four men are Ernest Solvay, the "Alkali king"; Baron Lambert, the Belgian representative of the Rothschild; Raoul Warocque, the mine owner, and Baron Empain, the railway magnate.

"Had not this guarantee been given," says the correspondent, "Brussels would probably have been treated as Louvain was. Big guns were mounted in front of the palace ready for bombardment."

4:45 p. m.—An Oxford undergraduate

### GERMAN ADVANCE CHECKED BY THEIR TERRIBLE LOSSES

Ostend says Independence, a local newspaper, declares that the German governor of Brussels has ordered the expulsion of the British residents within twenty-four hours. The Englishmen have lodged a protest with Band Whitlock, the American ambassador.

The Germans are ortifying the environs of Brussels and they have transformed the cemetery into a redoubt.

**Queen of Belgium Arrives in London**

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of Lord Curzon of Kedleston, former viceroy of India, whose guests they will be for a few days.

**Food Scarce in Brussels.**—A Belgium business man, who has just arrived in London, said that food was already very scarce in Brussels.

"Only about one person in a hundred can afford eggs and milk," he said. People who are rich enough to have milk twice weekly are considered very lucky.

The Germans have directed the suburb of St. Gillis to supply to the military 400 bottles of wine daily. Brussels proper had to contribute daily 70,000 pounds of bread, while the suburb of Audoughem supplies 40,000 pounds of meat."

**Aviators Direct Guns.**—Now the order was given to fix bayonets on the rifles. We let them come until the artillery fire had increased until it was an inferno. German aviators were directing their guns and at times we fired on aeroplanes, but our shots were ineffective. Our gunners had an awful time as the German cavalry got behind us and charged right up to the guns. Very few of the Germans escaped, however, for whole platoons rushed to the rescue emptying their magazines at the ran.

**Kaiser's Troops Mowed Down.**—A moment later the Germans were on us from the front. We let them come until their breasts rose above the neighboring hillock and then we decimated them. They fell back in confusion and dropped to the ground.

"Scores of machine guns were turned on us and we were ordered to prepare to charge. On the word of command we sprang from the ground as one man and

with yell after yell charged the advancing Prussians. As we neared their ranks we fired indiscriminately and only a few remained to cross bayonets with us. The remainder rushed off and were shot in the back as they went. They left more than half their regiment on the field in killed and wounded.

**FIERCE BATTLE IS FOUGHT NEAR MONS**

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warned us that the German infantry was advancing.

"We had hardly extended ourselves along the grass when patches of blue and green were seen on the sky line and soon battalions of the enemy were made out following each other at regular intervals.

"Our batteries let rip and gouged holes through them. "Bravo," was shouted by the platoon commander as he watched through his glasses.

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