

WAR DOGS LOOSE

All Great European Powers At Each Other's Throats

Great Naval Battle Expected With England and Germany Opposing Forces.

Dover, Aug 5.—The German steamer Franz Horn, from Curacao July 11, for Steten, on entering port this afternoon, reported that firing was audible in many directions but could give no definite information.

London, Aug. 5.—In England preparations were rapidly completed today for naval activities after the declaration of war on Germany last night, but the authorities would not permit any leakage of news as to military or naval movements.

Several German steamships in British waters including the Belgia with 73 German reservists and a quantity of foodstuffs on board were declared prisoners of war. The Maria Leonhardt in the Thames suffered a similar fate. The British government today commandeered the stores belonging to express companies and big department stores, thus causing almost a suspension of business.

On the coast of the North Sea it has been reported erroneously that a naval battle was in progress last night. The British government has taken over all schools and public buildings for conversion into hospitals in readiness to receive the wounded men after the expected important naval encounter between the German and British fleets.

Volunteers were requested for the British army and this was taken as an indication that a more expeditionary force was to be sent out but no authentic information on this point was obtainable.

In a formal proclamation King George declared martial law in Great Britain.

An order was issued giving the government control of all the railroads in Great Britain.

War Plane Brought Down.

Vienna, Aug. 5.—According to the Neue Freie

Presse, a Russian aeroplane, carrying a pilot and two Russian officers, was sighted on the Russo-German frontier near Lemberg, an important military station of Austria-Hungary, and was fired on by Austrians. The machine chashed to the ground and the two officers were killed.

Great Battle Is Near.

London, Aug. 5.—The plan of campaign of the various nations at war is being developed with methodical deliberation and military authorities here are of the opinion that the alleged fighting on the Russo-German and Franco-German frontiers has consisted of nothing but skirmishes between reconnoitering bodies of troops. They point out that it will take at least another week for the main armies of Germany, France and Russia to get into position for the decisive struggle.

German Bark Seized.

Dover, England, Aug. 5.—A British warship seized the German bark Perkeo, which left New York July 18 for Hamburg.

Sweden To Join Entente.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Diplomatic dispatches indicate that Sweden will join Great Britain, France and Russia, if she finds herself unable to remain neutral.

Germans Enter Switzerland.

London, Aug. 5.—German troops are reported to have entered Dutch and Swiss territory on their way to Paris.

German Merchant Ships Taken.

London, Aug. 5.—Russian war ships have captured a number of German vessels in the Black Sea which is now cut off, Turkey having closed the Dardanelles and Bosphorus to preserve her neutrality.

Russians Clash With Germans.

London, Aug. 5.—Russian troops were in contact with the German army along the Russo-German frontier today, clashes occurring in several places.

British Ship Reported Sunk.

London, Aug. 5.—It is reported here that a British mine laying ship was sunk by a German fleet. The torpedo boat Pathfinder was chased by the same fleet but escaped.

Turkey Closes Dardanelles.

London, Aug. 5.—As the Black Sea has been tightly closed by Turkey's shutting the Dardanelles and Bosphorus in order to maintain her neutrality, the Russian fleet here has no difficulty in making captive many German and Austrian vessels.

To Raise Half Billion.

London, Aug. 5.—Premier Asquith today announced that the British government would ask for another credit of \$500,000,000 tomorrow.

It was officially stated today that Viscount Morley and John Burns has resigned from the cabinet.

Turkey Says She Is Neutral.

London, Aug. 5.—Turkey has informed Great Britain that she is mobilizing her troops as a precautionary measure and declares that she will remain absolutely neutral. In some quarters it is said Turkey fears Russia will try to land troops in Turkey and seize Constantinople.

Mob Wrecks Embassy.

Washington, Aug. 5.—The German embassy in St. Petersburg has been destroyed by a mob inflamed by a report that the Russian embassy in Berlin had been attacked. One German employee was killed. The state department does not credit the report of an attack on the Russian embassy in Berlin. Its information comes from St. Petersburg in diplomatic dispatches.

New Cabinet Members Named.

London, Aug. 5.—Earl Beauchamp was appointed to succeed Viscount Morley as president of the council today and Walter Runciman to take the place John Burns as president of the local government board.

Secrecy Shrouds War Moves.

London, Aug. 5.—Austria and Serbia appear to have stopped their activities or at least to have put a strict censorship on the news of any important events, as no news dispatches of importance reached the British capital from those two countries.

17 Alsations Shot.

Paris, Aug. 5.—An official announcement today says that 17 Alsations while endeavoring to cross into France were captured by the Germans and summarily shot.

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LOCAL MATTERS.

L. E. Skidmore, of Ewing, was in the city Tuesday.

S. F. Kelley, of Atkinson, was in the city Monday, having come down to attend the chautauqua.

J. B. Reiser and George Wearne, pioneer residents of the northwestern part of the county, were transacting business at the court house yesterday.

Orville Butterfield and Miss Ella Montgomery, both of Knox county, were united in marriage by County Judge Carlon at the county court room last Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John O'Donnell, of Dorsey, were in the city Monday on their way home from Omaha, where they had been to attend the funeral of the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mullen.

Miss Madeline Dishner, who has been visiting friends here for the past two weeks, left for her home at Columbus last Saturday. She was accompanied by Miss Irene Biglin who will spend a few weeks visiting there.

Bernard Mullen returned Tuesday morning from Gillette, Wyo., where he has been the past three months living upon his homestead. Bearney made final proof upon his land and is now the possessor of 320 acres of Wyoming land.

Otto Neilson, formerly supervisor of the First district, was in from his Saratoga ranch last Wednesday. Otto says they had a splendid rain in his vicinity last Tuesday night and that crop prospects were never better in that section of the county.

Judge R. R. Dickson and C. B. Scott went up to Springview last Tuesday night to be present at the laying of the corner stone of the new Keya Paha county court house. The ceremonies are in charge of the Masonic order and members of several lodges in this vicinity will be in attendance.

A half inch of rain fell in this vicinity last Tuesday night. This puts the corn crop in splendid shape and many are of the opinion that it will make a good crop. Farmers say that there are several fields of corn that will be out of the way of frost in two weeks, about three weeks ahead of the average year.

Sheridan Simmons has offered his services to the German consul at Chicago as a member of the hospital corps, having written the officer last Sunday that he was ready to enlist. He has not as yet received a reply to his communication.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Evans, who lived on the school section fifteen miles northeast of this city eight years ago, and moved to Plindor, N. D., were back on a week's visit with relatives, and old time friends. They returned home Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bethea, of Ewing, were in the city Saturday. They were accompanied to this city by Mr. and Mrs. E. Kline, former residents of this city but who now live in Los Angeles, Cal., and they visited old time friends here for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Kline are on their way home from a visit with relatives in Indiana and stopped off for a visit with relatives and old-time friends in his county.

J. B. Fullerton, of Atkinson, was a caller at these headquarters last Monday. He was accompanied by his uncle, W. R. Roberts, of Omaha, who has been spending a few weeks visiting at the Fullerton home. Mr. Roberts is an old time printer having learned the printing trade in the early forties and following the business for over forty years. Typesetting machines were unheard of in the days that he was in the business and he was greatly interested in the working of the linotype in this office.

James McCaffery, of Springfield, Illinois, was in the city last Wednesday with his cousin, Joe McCaffery, of Emmet. Mr. McCaffery was a former resident of this county having homesteaded four miles east of this city in 1885. After proving up on his claim he left again for Illinois where he has since made his home. Mr. McCaffery has made several trips to this city since he left here over a quarter of a century ago, his last trip being about five years ago. He says that this city and country has improved wonderfully in the past five years and he says it begins to look now as if O'Neill was going to be the city the old timers looked for it to become some twenty-five years ago.

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