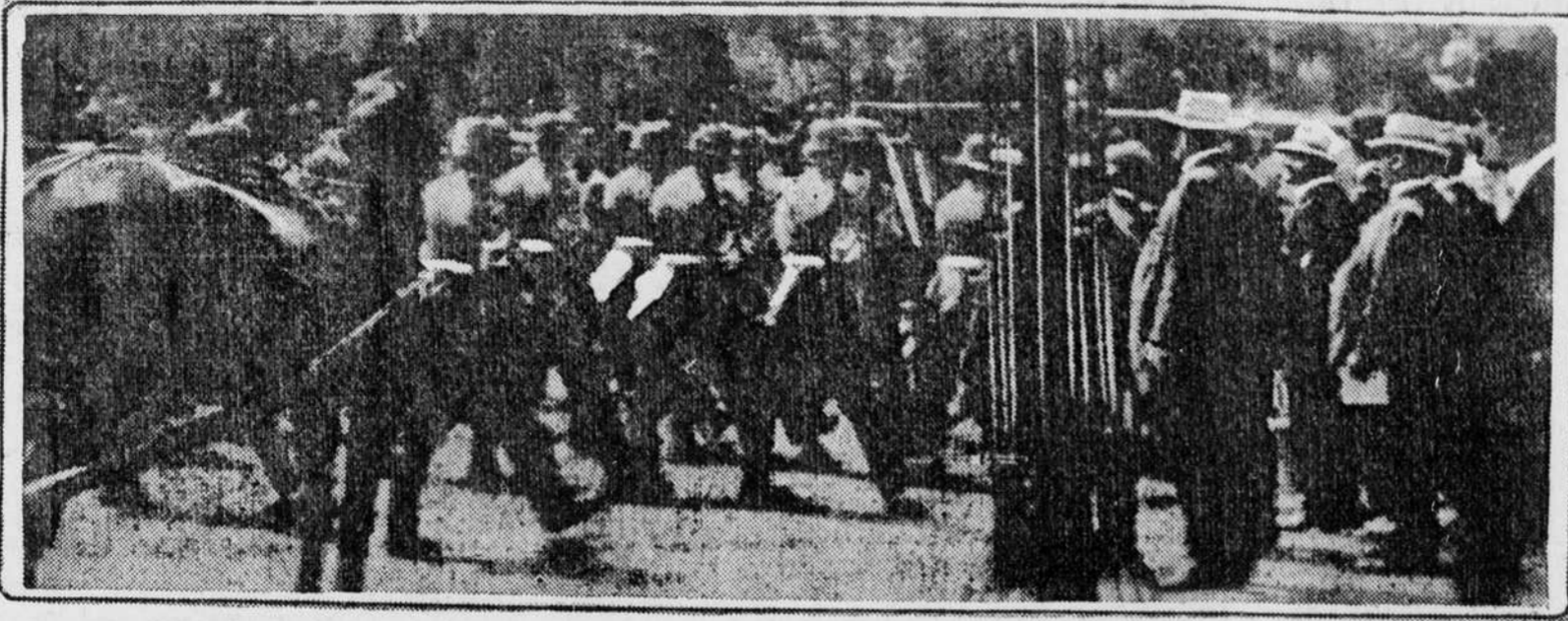


FIRST WAR PICTURE FROM BERLIN; SOLDIERS IN UNTER DEN LINDEN.



Here's the first picture to reach America showing the troops of the Kaiser in Berlin marching to war. This photo has just reached this country from Germany and shows German infantry on Unter den Linden, Berlin's famous thoroughfare, en route to the front.

GERMAN WARSHIPS REDUCE TWO SEAPORTS IN RUSSIA

Libau and Hango Declared To Have Been Demolished—Austrian Port Of Cattaro Also Reported To Have Been Shelled By French and British Warships—Strong Forts In Chain Of St. Petersburg Defenses Badly Damaged—Continued Fighting Along Prussian Border.

London, Aug. 22.—According to dispatches reaching London today, Libau, one of the principal fortifications in the string of coast defenses in the Baltic sea, devised for the protection of St. Petersburg, was badly damaged by a German fleet. The bombardment is reported to have continued two hours. The news of the bombardment was brought by the captain of a Swedish steamer. He said the inhabitants of Libau were panic stricken.

German warships also are reported to have destroyed the harbor works of Hango, Finland. British and French warships are reported to have bombarded and greatly damaged Cattaro, an Austrian seaport, on Wednesday. No detail of the engagements at Hango and Cattaro are given.

offensive near Windhaellen, captured Lyk and took eight German guns and two quick fires.

AUSTRIANS CAPTURE TOWN AND KILL 400 RUSSIANS

London, Aug. 22.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Cracow, dated today, says that Austrian troops have occupied the town of Miechow, Russia Poland, after a stiff fight with Cossacks.

RUSSIANS HARASS BOTH GERMANY AND AUSTRIA

London, Aug. 22.—On Germany's eastern frontier there has been considerable outpost fighting which would indicate that the Russians are completing their work of concentration. There has been no serious collisions in their region as yet, however. Austria is too much engaged with Russia and the need of helping Germany to make much progress in her campaign against Serbia.

AUSTRIA CALLS OUT ALL AVAILABLE FIGHTING MEN

London, Aug. 22.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company, sent from Vienna under yesterday's date, says that the Austrian government has issued a final call to arms for all able bodied men from the ages of 20 to 42 years.

RUSSIAN WAR OFFICE EXPLAINS OPERATIONS

London, Aug. 22.—A dispatch to the Reuter Telegram company from St. Petersburg gives a communication issued by the Russian general staff covering the operations of the army from August 15 to August 19, in which successes are claimed in skirmishes, both the Austrian and German frontiers.

"Austrian cavalry which entered Russian Poland at Klecz, Rjzbizna and other ports," says the communication, "were driven back with great casualties while Austrian infantry, which attacked Kransnik was defeated. The Russians took 250 prisoners. On the Prussian border the Russians took the

EUROPEAN WAR WILL BUILD GREAT MERCHANT MARINE

Conqueror of Manila Sees Finger of Destiny In Opportunity Now Confronting U. S.

New York—Admiral Dewey, ranking officer of the American navy, declared last evening, after hearing of the war news abroad, that he believed that this country was on the threshold of a great opportunity and that its destiny was peculiarly in the hands of Providence.

He is stopping for the summer at the Oriental Hotel, Manhattan Beach, where he was informed by a representative of the Republic of the declaration of war which Germany had made against Russia. The admiral has come in contact with all the navies of the world in his long career and he knows well the naval forces of England and Germany.

He has followed the news of the war very closely in the last few days, for, having regained his health in the invigorating air of the beach in the month that he has been there, he finds a new zest in life. Sitting on the piazza of the hotel, he gazed out over the sea, watching the coming and going of the steamships and commenting on the making of history.

Owing to his official position, the admiral refused to discuss the impending struggle of the fleets of the powers. He said, however, that it was a great opportunity for the United States to build up a merchant marine.

"Now is the opportunity," continued the admiral, "if congress acts, for the United States to have its share in the carrying trade of the world. I thoroughly approve the proposal of the president to have the ship navigation laws so amended that vessels of foreign build may come under the American flag. The present statutes are very severe and some modification of them would undoubtedly be necessary."

Have the Men For Vessels.

In recent years this country has had practically no merchant marine. Its trans-Atlantic steamers have been confined to such vessels as the St. Louis and the St. Paul. There are coasting vessels, to be sure. If the opportunity opens for this country to obtain ocean carrying trade there are thousands of well trained and vigorous Americans who could man the steamships. There has not been enough inducement lately for them to join the merchant marine.

Admiral Dewey sat for a moment looking over the blue water as though turning over in his mind the course of events.

"I have lived many years," he said, "I have followed the history of this country in many phases, and to me the thought has come that this land was set aside for the realization of a high destiny. Its mission, no doubt, is to provide a home of freedom for the oppressed of all lands.

"Recently at Saratoga I read an old book in which was an account of the incidents which concerned the surrender of General Burgoyne. The order was given that the American colonists should be considered as in divisions, cleft by the Hudson river. From Canada was to come a great column under Burgoyne. From the east was to come another column, while Sir William Howe was to come up from New York

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FRENCH CLAIM GERMANS USED DUM-DUM BULLETS

Paris, Aug. 24.—The government today calls the attention of the powers which signed The Hague convention to its report that on August 10, following an engagement, a French army surgeon found five dum-dum bullets on the road to Muenster in Alsace. These bullets were in a rifle clip and were turned over to the French commanding general.

MEAT IN PARIS NOW LOWEST IN 20 YEARS

Paris, Aug. 24.—Cheap living is an anomaly of the present situation in Paris. Meats today sold at the lowest prices in 20 years and at the central markets yesterday vegetables were abundant and comparatively cheap. This in spite of the fact that some merchants have raised their prices at the risk of boycott and prosecution.

FLEET IS INCREASED.

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 24.—The British fleet at the Esquimalt naval station has been increased by two ships, regarding the identity of which naval officials are maintaining the greatest secrecy. The fleet now consists of three cruisers, two sloops of war and two submarines.

BELGIUM ENTERS PROTEST.

Washington, Aug. 24.—Mr. Haventh, the Belgian minister, presented a note of protest to the state department against violation by Germany of the treaty of 1829, which guaranteed the neutrality of Belgium. The same note will be delivered to the foreign officers of all neutral and allied nations.

QUAKE IS RECORDED.

Washington, Aug. 24.—A sharp earthquake disturbance at a distance of about 1,200 miles from Washington, was recorded on the seismographs of Georgetown university here early today. It began at 12:49 a. m. and continued 12 minutes.

RESUME SHIPPING.

New York, Aug. 24.—Conferences, held today, between the foreign freight traffic managers of the railroad trunk lines entering this city and freight directors of North Atlantic steamship lines developed that the issuance of through bills of lading from the grain fields to European points would soon be resumed.

FILM MAN KILLED.

New York, Aug. 24.—Charles J. Hite, of New Rochelle, president of the Thanahuser Film corporation, whose automobile turned a somersault off a bridge last night, died of his injuries today.

MINE FOREMAN LEAVES THREE DAUGHTERS \$40,000

Lead, S. D., Aug. 24.—With the filling for probate of the will of William S. O'Brien, general foreman of the Homestake mine, who died here two weeks ago, nearly \$40,000 is left to his three daughters of this city to divide equally, Ida, Flora and Elizabeth. Mr. O'Brien was one of the long time residents of this section.

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GRAND DUKE TO LEAD INVASION OF PRUSSIA

London, Aug. 24.—The Central News correspondent in Rome says an official dispatch from St. Petersburg asserts that a Russian army composed of 20 army corps will carry out the invasion of Prussia under the direction of Grand Duke Nicholas.

GERMANS IN CONTROL OF WATERS OF THE BALTIC

London, Aug. 24.—The correspondent of the Reuter Telegram company at Amsterdam quotes an official dispatch received here from Berlin as follows: "It is officially announced that the Russian army is now advancing along the entire Austro-German frontier and successfully maintaining the offensive at every point of contact."

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NO MORE THAN JEWS' RIGHT, SAYS STRAUSS

New York, Aug. 24.—Nathan Strauss discussed freely yesterday the report that Czar Nicholas has promised to grant civil and political freedom to Russian born Jews.

"It is a fine thing, if true," said Mr. Strauss, on the porch of his summer home at Oriental Point, Mamaroneck. "Russia seems to be coming to her senses at last. The Jewish people have never asked for anything more than the right to live in their native country. All they have ever wanted was the chance to prove their worth as citizens and their patriotism in times of stress to the empire."

"I am against war in any shape or form, but some times war is necessary to fight a great and permanent wrong. It would seem that the present war has succeeded in giving to a people their undoubted and inalienable right to life, some measure of liberty and the pursuit of happiness in the land where they happened to be born."

"The world is surely moving with Ireland and Poland to get home rule and the Russian Jew his right to his share of civil and political independence."

"I am one of those who has thought and still thinks that the czar is a victim of circumstances. He has been surrounded all his life with reactionaries of a violent and implacable type. Only news that was most pleasing to him was ever allowed to get to him. And now when the Russian Jew is on the firing line and ready to give up his life for his country, the czar sees the errors of his past administration and agrees, as I hope, to give these people partial liberty. Why wouldn't he?"

"I have a friend who knows the czar personally. He tells me that he is a kindly man, with a disposition to do kind things. Misinformation, I think, is responsible for the position in which the czar has been placed at different times since he ascended the throne. But now that, at last, he desires to do the right thing, we should be ready to forgive some of the things that have blighted his reign, and give him full credit for good intentions."

GERMAN TROOPS SEEN NEAR DUTCH FRONTIER

London, Aug. 24.—In a dispatch from Amsterdam, the correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "I have received a telephone message from Rosendaal on the Dutch Belgian frontier declaring that German Uhlans were seen Friday afternoon three miles from the Dutch frontier near Eschen, which is 18 miles north of Antwerp."

OFFICIALS REPORTED SHOT.

Paris, Aug. 24.—Official announcement was made here today that the Germans had shot to death the burgo-master and a group of the inhabitants of the Belgian town of Aerschot. The execution is declared to have been without provocation. The men were all shot at once.

GERMANS CLAIM VICTORY OVER FRENCH IN ALSACE

Paris War Office Admits Being Outgeneral In Early Part Of Campaign, But Has Regained Lost Ground—Strasbourg, German Stronghold, Still Intact.

Washington, Aug. 24.—An official German dispatch reports a "magnificent victory" of the German forces between Metz and the Vosges mountains.

No additional details are given.

The German embassy here received a report on the dispatch from German officials in New York, through whom it had come and who would not make known any details.

At the embassy it was regarded as opening a new and important phase as chief interest thus far had been centered on the operations in Belgium, whereas this indicated extensive operations south of Belgium in the region along the Franco-German frontier between Metz and the Vosges mountains, one of the notable scenes of conflict of the Franco-Prussian war.

ITALIAN ARMY IS TO BE MOBILIZED

Paris, Aug. 24.—A French war office bulletin says: "As already announced, after reconquering the frontier, our troops advanced into Lorraine along a front extending from the Donan mountain to Chateau Salins. They drove the Germans back into the valley of the Seltle river and the marshy district and our advance guards reached Delme, Dieuze and Mohange."

"Yesterday several German army corps made a vigorous counter attack and our advance guards fell back. The fight was extremely fierce on both sides and in view of the greatly superior number of the Germans our troops, who had been fighting continuously for six days, retreated."

"Our left covers the advanced work of Nancy and our right is firmly established in the Donan hills. The greater strength of the enemy made our remaining in Lorraine useless and imprudent."

"Details received show that the reconquest of Muhlhausen was a great success. The offensive first along the line from Thann to Danne Marie (Danne-merkirch) and then on to Muhlhausen was carried out with rare dash. By a bold stroke, Gen. Paul Pau, once he was master at Thann and Danne Marie, directed the troops west of Muhlhausen, giving the enemy an opportunity to engage him between our lines and the Swiss frontier and then by a second movement the Germans were thrown back on Muhlhausen."

"While our right attacked Aitkirch, the left advanced on Weubrsach and Colmar, threatening the enemy's line of retreat until the Germans were then forced to accept battle, which was hot in the suburb of Muhlhausen, Dornach. Our infantry captured 24 guns at the point of honor and made several thousand prisoners. The fight swept through the streets, house to house, and the German losses were enormous."

"Following up the success, one part of the army occupied Muhlhausen, while the other turned Aitkirch and forced the Germans to fall back in disorder. Thus we attained the initial object of our troops in upper Alsace—to drive the German forces to the right bank of the Rhine."

In order to show the importance of the successes in Alsace, the official statement gives a detailed account of the first attempt made to force the Germans out of Upper Alsace and across the Rhine and to seize and hold the bridges, thus preventing a counter attack.

"On August 7," the statement says, "the French carried Thann and Aitkirch bravely, but a nightfall prevented them following the success and the German retreat was not cut off."

"Despite the opposition of the reinforced Germans, the French advance continued. A brigade entered Muhlhausen but the city was difficult to defend. The Germans, well informed by the pro-German inhabitants, delivered a night attack, marching simultaneously from the forest of Neubralsach and Colmar in a direction to cut off our retreat."

"By remaining in sufficient forces in Muhlhausen, we would have risked having our communications with the upper Vosges and Belfort cut, and a retreat was ordered. As a matter of fact another plan might have been carried out. Our forces at Aitkirch might have made a counter attack on the Germans marching on Gernay, why this was not done is not yet properly explained. Our left being attacked toward Cernay by manifestly superior forces, our center attacked at Muhlhausen and our right remaining inactive, put us in a bad position and retreat was the wisest course. This was carried out brilliantly."

"To attain our initial attack the operation was begun again on a fresh basis under another commander, General Pau. Profiting by the lessons of the first attempt and with considerable reinforcements General Pau resolved upon a decisive effort and not a single reconnaissance. He succeeded brilliantly. Our troops, holding the crests and principal valleys of the Vosges, are in a good position to fol-

KAISER THANKED GOD FOR TRIUMPH AT MUHLHAUSEN

London, Aug. 24.—Among the German papers received in London is the Strassburger Post, which gives the emperor's receipt issued after the German victory at Muhlhausen and addressed to army headquarters. The emperor said:

"I am grateful to our God who is with us. I thank you and our brave troops for the first victory and express to all who took part in it, my imperial thanks which your chief war lord addresses to them in the name of the Fatherland."

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FORMER SENATOR ARRESTED.

Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 24.—H. L. Byers, former state senator from Lucas county, and well known in political circles, was arrested here today on charges of forgery, preferred by a local saloon man, who claims Byers passed a worthless check for \$10 at his bar. Byers claims a misunderstanding and was released on \$1,000 bonds.

SILVER IN DEMAND.

New York, Aug. 24.—Large sales of bar silver were made today at 56 cents per ounce. This figure is based on the closing London quotation of August 21 and is the first official price made since the outbreak of the European war.

BOATS STILL RUNNING.

London, Aug. 24.—The German advance into the western part of Belgium has not as yet interfered with the passenger steamer service between Folkestone and Ostend. The regular morning boat from each port left on time today.

FIRE AT ADEL.

Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 24.—A fire this morning destroyed the electric light plant at Adel, did damage of \$50,000, and left Adel without water. In addition to shutting off the electric lights in Adel and four surrounding towns.

AMERICANS ARE SAFE.

Washington, Aug. 24.—Consular reports from Belgium today say Americans and English in the eastern part of the country are safe. All non-combatants are offered full protection and are in no danger whatever in that part of Belgium, where most of them have gathered.

CREDIT MAN ENDS LIFE.

Beacon, N. Y., Aug. 24.—Austin Hall Watson, former president of the New York Credit Men's association, committed suicide at his country home here this morning by shooting himself with a pistol through the heart.

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This section was visited this morning by heavy thunder showers which will prove beneficial to late corn and pastures.

DUTCH TAKE SHOTS AT GIANT ZEPPELINS

Amsterdam, (via London), Aug. 22.—Notable activity is evident among the German air craft which fly frequently over Holland.

A Zeppelin, following the course of the Rhine, passed over Zevenaar today. Dutch soldiers shot at it with a drifable discharge.

Another Zeppelin flew over Maastricht last night and followed the road to Meeren, afterward disappearing.

German aeroplanes also have been seen in several directions + scouting over Holland.

CANADA APPROPRIATES \$50,000,000 FOR WAR

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 21.—A war appropriation of \$50,000,000 was put through the Canadian house of commons today. There was no opposition or criticism.

The prime minister, Sir Robert Borden, explained that the sum was required in financing the military organization which Canada has offered the British government and the vote was approved. The proceedings occupied just one minute.

AVIATOR FALLS 1,000 FEET AND STILL LIVES

Mineola, N. Y., Aug. 21.—Albert Fileaux, of New York city, fell 1,000 feet in his monoplane to the Hempstead aviation field today while looping the loop, and escaped with his life. He was badly bruised and lacerated but surgeons at the Nassau hospital said that he was suffering chiefly from a concussion and that they thought he would live.

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BARON VON DER GOLTZ. Baron von der Goltz is one of the six field marshal generals of the German army, composing the emperor's military cabinet and board of strategy.