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KAISER'S MEN LOSE BIG BATTLE IN EAST PRUSSIA

Defeat of Three Corps Turned Into
Rout by Timely Arrival of Fresh
Army from Warsaw.

STRIKE HARD BLOW ON FLANK

German Corps at Mazur Lakes Are
Caught Like Nut Between
Powerful Crackers.

CZAR'S ADVANCE IS SWIFT

Big Movement Is Directed by Gen-
eral Saushomlinoff, Known as
the Russian Kitchener.

SIMILAR TACTICS AT LEMBERG

Russian Army at Rava and Another
on Way from Southeast.

AUSTRIANS ROUTED AT PUKHOW

Cavalry Division Is Put to Flight by
Nine Russian Squadrons—Re-
treat Toward Sokal Is
Probably Cut Off.

BULLETIN.

PARIS, Aug. 25.—(12:10 p. m.)
—A dispatch from St. Petersburg
sets forth that Russian troops, fol-
lowing up their advantages in Gal-
icia, have captured several passes
south of Tarnopol, on the Sereth
river. Tarnopol is eighty miles to
the east of Lemberg.

A division of Austrian cavalry has
been routed in Galicia at a point
close to the frontier. The Russians
captured two batteries of artillery
and 200 prisoners.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—(4:20 a. m.)

—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from
St. Petersburg says:

"The German defense in East
Prussia is based on four parallel and
strongly fortified lines running
north and south. Each is supported
by natural obstacles. The foremost
three lines are distinct groups of nu-
merous lakes. The fourth and
strongest defense line is the Vistula
river, extending from the Russian
frontier to the Baltic.

"Outside these defense lines the
Germans have on the northeast the
very strong fortress at Konigsberg,
with the fortified advance positions
at Libau and Tilsa. This is situ-
ated on the flank of the Russian line
and must be invested, necessitating
the detachment of a considerable
force.

"The foremost three defense lines
are extensively fortified. There are important
and permanent fortifications at Allen-
stein and Boyen and the whole is filled
with lakes, leaving only comparatively
narrow defiles for the advancing troops.
The country is full of fortifications, partly
provisional and partly field works, most
of which are armed with heavy guns. A
frontal attack would be a very difficult
task.

Strong Forts on Vistula.

"The Vistula from 200 to 1,000 yards
wide, is guarded by six fortresses. The
largest are at Thorn in the south and at
Danzig in the north. Between them are
Ferdon, Kulm, Gerudens and Marien-
burg.

"A man entitled to rank among the first
in an order of victory is compelled to
remain far from the battlefield. He is Gen-
eral Saushomlinoff, the Russian Kitch-
ener.

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The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Wednesday:
For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity:
—Fair and continued with light
breeze.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.	Hour.	Deg.
10 a. m.	67	
11 a. m.	68	
12 m.	69	
1 p. m.	70	
2 p. m.	71	
3 p. m.	72	
4 p. m.	73	
5 p. m.	74	
6 p. m.	75	
7 p. m.	76	
8 p. m.	77	
9 p. m.	78	
10 p. m.	79	
11 p. m.	80	
12 m.	81	

Comparative Local Record.
1914, 1913, 1912, 1911.

Station and State.	Temp. High.	Temp. Low.	Wind.
Cheyenne, cloudy.	78	62	W.
Denver, cloudy.	76	60	W.
Des Moines, cloudy.	74	58	W.
North Platte, cloudy.	72	56	W.
Omaha, clear.	70	54	W.
Rapid City, cloudy.	68	52	W.
Sioux Falls, cloudy.	66	50	W.
Valentine, partly cloudy.	64	48	W.

Reports from Stations at 7 p. m.

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T indicates trace of precipitation.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

It All Depends



THRILLING TRIP FOR AMERICANS

Have Their Steamer Blown Up to
Block the Entrance to the
Harbor at Hango.

REFUGEES OVERFLOW TRAINS

People Forced to Sleep on Hotel
Stairways and in Parks While
Waiting for Trains to Get
Out of the War Zone.

STOCKHOLM, Via London, Aug. 25.

(7:15 a. m.)—The American minister, Ira
Nelson Morris, with his family has
arrived here after a good voyage from Eng-
land to Bergen, Norway.

Among the American tourists who are
staying here are Mrs. A. H. Sage and
her daughter of New York, and Mr. and
Mrs. E. J. Barney of Dayton, O.

A thrilling trip was made in Finland by
twelve Americans, one of whom said:
"Our party left Stockholm on July 31 on
a steamer for St. Petersburg, but we were
stopped by a Russian warship and com-
pelled to return to Hango, where we were
lodged in a hotel. The steamer was taken
in charge by a Russian warship and blown
up in the harbor channel. At the same
time several cranes and other harbor
works were dynamited to block the chan-
nel to the Finnish harbor. The explosion
made a great spectacle for the Americans.

"Our party was unable to leave until
August 3 because the roundhouse and
other buildings near the railway station
were in flames.

"Starting for Stockholm by train, we
traveled in cars already overcrowded
with refugees. Arriving at Syngene we
found at least 3,000 persons waiting for
a Russian ship. The town was al-
ready filled and people were sleeping on
the staircases of the overflowing hotels
and in the parks.

"We finally found lodging in a sani-
tarium outside the town. The next day
we continued our trip in a train loaded
with Germans who had been expelled from
the country. We next arrived at Seinajoki,
a hamlet near Tammerfors, which boasts
of only one hotel, but was trying to ac-
commodate 5,000 strangers. Every private
house was filled to its capacity, and we
would have been compelled to spend the
night in the streets had it not occurred
to the manager of the hotel to suggest
that we proceed to Nicolaistadt, a seaport
fifty miles to the west.

"We took his advice and found com-
fortable lodging in that place. We also
had the good fortune to discover an Ameri-
can freight steamer on which we were
permitted to sail on August 5. The voy-
age was dangerous, as all the beacon
lights had been removed from the passage
which is narrow and made hazardous by
shoals.

"The other steamers left port at the
same time. The first was commanded by
a Russian pilot. It ran aground and was
wrecked. Other vessels narrowly escaped
the same fate. Our steamer, however, got
clear and we arrived without accident at
Hernösand, Sweden.

"Our trip through Finland had interest-
ing and even exciting moments, but we
were not ill-treated by the Russians. Ours
was the only party which reached Sweden
in this manner, as traffic from Nicolaistadt
was stopped on the day after we
sailed and all tourists were forced to
continue their journey across Tornea.

"After having rested at Hernösand for
several days, we came on to Stockholm.
We will remain here until September 15,
when we will continue our journey by
canal to Gothenburg. On September 24
we will sail from Copenhagen for the
United States."

GERMANS IN BRUSSELS

NOT SINCE LAST SUNDAY

LONDON, Aug. 25.—The correspondent
of the Daily Telegraph at Rotterdam, in
a dispatch printed this morning, says that
according to the Rotterdam newspapers
no German soldiers have been in Brussels
since Sunday morning. The total num-
ber of Germans who passed through
Brussels is estimated at 300,000.

Count Tisza Held to Blame for the Big European War

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—That it was Count

Tisza and not the aged Emperor Franz
Joseph who is held responsible by the Aus-
trians for the European war, is the declara-
tion made last night by Rabbi Mayer
Kopstein in his congregation here while
telling of his experiences as an American
refugee in Vienna when Austria declared
war on Serbia. Rabbi Kopstein returned
on the Nordland yesterday.

"I went to bed comfortably one night
in Vienna," he said, "with plenty of re-
sources at my command. On every lip
that night was the name of Count Tisza.
The people knew informally that it was

he who had written the ultimatum to
Serbia, and it was in the air that Ger-
many could be counted on to leap to
Austria's aid and that Russia would back
up Serbia."

The next morning Rabbi Kopstein said,
he was taken for a spy, the people being
suspicious of every stranger. He took a
train for Germany, but on his arrival in
Berlin found conditions there worse than
in Vienna. In Berlin he was also charged
with being a spy, but secured his release
from mobs and the police by showing his
American passports.

French Abandon All of Occupied Territory of Foe

PARIS, Aug. 26.—The war office
has issued the following official an-
nouncement:

"The commander-in-chief, requir-
ing all available forces on the Meuse,
has ordered the progressive abandon-
ment of occupied territory. Muel-
hausen has again been evacuated."

GERMANS OF NEBRASKA

MEETING AT COLUMBUS

COLUMBUS, Neb., Aug. 25.—(Special
Telegram.)—Two hundred delegates rep-
resenting sixty German organizations are
in attendance at the yearly meeting of
the state association of the German-
American alliance, being held in this city
today and tomorrow. Besides registering
the delegates, a short program was given
this afternoon, including an address of
welcome by Mayor Rothlisberger.

Nominations for state officers were
made, the election being held tomorrow.
This evening the annual banquet was
given in the Orpheum hall. Tomorrow
a meeting will be held for the purpose of
raising funds for the Red Cross. On ac-
count of the war all parades and the an-
nual ball have been given up.

At the afternoon session reference was
made to the war and at tomorrow's ses-
sion resolutions will no doubt be adopted.

AMERICAN VOLUNTEERS SENT TO DRILL CAMP

PARIS, Aug. 25.—(3:30 p. m.)—The Stars
and Stripes were seen on the streets of
Paris today alongside the French tri-
color when the corps of American volun-
teers, 39 strong, marched through the
city to the St. Lazare railroad station to
take a train for Rouen, where they
will be drilled under the French officers.

Among the American volunteers are
many young men who have been study-
ing in Paris. American girls waved their
handkerchiefs and clapped their hands
as the slender column of volunteers en-
tered the station, while a crowd which
filled the square outside cheered. Three
train cars will take the Americans,
together with some other foreign volun-
teers, to the north.

POSITION WANTED.

STOCKHOLDER and sales manager
of large out-of-town corporation
wishes to connect with some large
concern in Omaha as office manager
or sales manager. Have had 14
years' experience. Can furnish best
of references. Will come to Omaha
for interview.

For further information about this
man, see the Want Ad Section of
today's Bee.

CATTARO FORTS ARE DESTROYED

Attack Comes Before Austrian War-
ships Have Time to Strew the
Gulf with Mines.

ALL GUNS ARE SILENCED

Commander is Parleying with the
Allies About Terms of Sur-
render of Port.

BULLETIN.

MILAN, Via Paris, Aug. 25 (5:10
a. m.)—A news dispatch from Cat-
taro says that all of the fortifica-
tions there have been destroyed by
the allied fleet. The Austrians did
not have time before the attack to
strew the gulf of Cattaro with
mines.

ROME, Aug. 25.—(Via London,
3:10 p. m.)—A dispatch to the Cor-
riere d'Italia, from Antivari, Mon-
tenegro, says the fortifications of
Cattaro, the Austrian seaport in Dal-
matia, on the Adriatic, have been
completely destroyed and that the
Austrian commander is now parley-
ing for terms of surrender.

The bombardment of Cattaro was
conducted by a fleet of the allies.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—(4:50 a. m.)—The
Nish correspondent of Reuters' Tele-
graph company, telegraphs as follows:
"After the great victory by our army
our forces are vigorously pursuing the
enemy along the whole of their front.
The latter made no resistance, but fled
with the greatest haste.

"The enemies casualties were numerous.
According to the information obtained up
to the present, the Twenty-first, the
Eleventh, the One Hundred and Second
and the Twenty-eighth regiments were
completely wiped out. The commander of
the Twenty-eighth was captured. The
commander of the Twenty-first division
of infantry of the Landwehr was killed.
The Austrians destroyed our quay at
Tekia."

Vienna Prepares for Defense.
PARIS, Aug. 25.—(5:05 a. m.)—A four-
nier's agency dispatch from Rome says
that an official message from Vienna
states that Emperor Francis Joseph has
signed a decree ordering the capital to be
put in a state of defense.

Travelers from Trieste state that the
Austrians are concentrating on the Ad-
riatic at Pola and Zvenico. The population
of the latter have been sent inland. All
the Austrian fleet has been assembled in
the Fasana canal at Pola.

Mass Troops on the Italian Border.
ROME, Aug. 25.—(Via Paris, 6:45 a. m.)
—The Secolo says that notwithstanding
the denials of the Austrian government,
certain Austrian troops are massing on
the Italian frontier. The movements were
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SIR JOHN FRENCH REPORTS BIG LOSSES

ASQUITH ADMITS HUGE SLAUGHTER OF ENGLISHMEN

Field Marshal Announces British
Casualties in Great Battle More
Than Two Thousand.

PREMIER TELLS THE COMMONS

Prime Minister Says General As-
serted Withdrawal to New
Position Successful.

HARD PRESSED BY THE ENEMY

Not Desirable to Say Anything More
at Present Except Men in
Good Spirits.

STANDING TOIL AND BATTLE

Official News Bureau Says Condi-
tion of Army Satisfactory.

NOT ANY MORE FIGHTING ON

Announcement from London States
That There Has Been No Further
General Engagement with
Germans.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—"We have
heard this morning from Sir John
French, commander of the British
forces on the continent," Premier
Asquith informed the members of
the House of Commons this after-
noon, "that the withdrawal of his
troops to a new position was suc-
cessfully effected. It was not ef-
fected without considerable loss.
They were hard pressed by the
enemy who, however, were shaken off.

"It is not desirable to say any-
thing more at the present moment,
except that the field marshal reports
that, in spite of hard marching and
hard fighting, the British forces are
in the best of spirits.

"He estimates the casualties at
something over two thousand, but
we have not yet received any names."
The British official news bureau
issued the following announcement
tonight: "There has been no further
general engagement. The condition
of the British troops is in every way
satisfactory."

German Forces Are

Attacking Charleroi

LONDON, Aug. 25.—"Since yesterday
morning the Germans have been attack-
ing Charleroi, which the French are hold-
ing," says the Daily Mail's Ostend cor-
respondent.

"The Germans invaded the town from
the Montigny side and came out by the
turning bridges in front of the railway
station.

"German shells are falling in the town.
The houses on the left of the Hotel Eu-
rope, as seen from the railway station,
appeared to be seriously damaged. A
mass of French artillery and troops in
endless lines poured out. It is said to-
ward Chatelet, and the Germans were
driven back with a serious loss."

Hastings Germans

Held in England

HASTINGS, Neb., Aug. 25.—(Special
Telegram.)—Karl Ruch and wife of this
city have written friends here that they
were taken from a German ship by the
British off the coast of England and are
detained at the Union workhouse, Fal-
mouth, England, where they fear they
will starve to death. They were on their
way to Huk Saratof, Russia.

Friends here have been asked to send
them money to pay their expenses back
to Hastings.

Denied in Paris

Namur Has Fallen

LONDON, Aug. 25.—A dispatch to the
Exchange Telegraph company from Paris
says it is denied at the French capital
that the Belgian city of Namur has been
taken by the Germans.

The National Capital

Tuesday, August 25, 1914.

The Senate.
Resumed on Clayton trust bill.
Recessed at 5:50 p. m. to 11 a. m. Wednes-
day.

The House.

Met at noon.
Representative Underwood introduced
resolution to withhold pay from absent
members and cancel all leaves of absence.
Speaker's bill up for debate.

Passed Underwood resolution to deduct
pay of absent members.
Rules committee informally agreed to
report a special rule, probably next
Thursday, for immediate consideration of
war risk marine insurance bill.

Adjourned at 5:50 p. m. to noon Wednes-
day.

War Summary

Namur, the Belgian fortress,
has fallen into German hands, ac-
cording to an announcement made
by the official press bureau in
London. Details of the fighting
around the fortress were not
given, but the English newspa-
pers regard the fall as inexplic-
able.

Berlin dispatches say five of
the forts of Namur and the city
itself have fallen and the capture
of the remaining four forts is im-
minent.

A reverse to the forces of the
allies is generally admitted by the
English and French newspapers,
which say today's news is "de-
cidedly bad." While plainly ex-
pressing disappointment at the
failure of their forces, they de-
clare the retrograde movement
toward the line of strong defen-
sive works near the frontier has
been carried out in good order.

It is assumed that the allies
are falling back on their first line
of defensive works running from
Maubegue in a southeasterly di-
rection by way of Hirson, Me-
zieres, Montmedy, Verdun, St.
Mihel, Toul and Epinal, all of
which have strong fortresses and
interspersed with smaller works,
such as Ayville, Genicourt, Tro-
yenne, Les Paroisses, Lailville,
Giriville and Jouy-Sous-Les-
Cotes. Behind these lies another
strong line of fortifications from
St. Quentin, in the north, through
Laon and Reims to the great en-
trenched camp at Chalons.

The English newspapers de-
clare that both the English and
Russians are determined to "fight
to a finish," whatever the outlook
may be at present. They say the
possession of Namur was vital for
Germany and that it "was a fine
stroke for the Germans to have
rushed the place under the eyes
of the allied armies."

In other parts of Belgium
fighting is still in progress, and a
report from Ostend says 30,000
Germans have attacked Malines,
thirteen miles from Antwerp.

Charleroi has also been the
scene of hot fighting, this time
between the French and German
troops, and a fresh encounter is
believed to have begun there.

Twenty-five thousand Germans
have been surrounded between
Courtrai and Anseghem, accord-
ing to an Ostend dispatch to the
London Daily Express.

Russian reports relate the ad-
vance of the Russian armies in
eastern Prussia and the surpris-
ingly rapid movement of the
troops. Russian officials, how-
ever, caution against feeling too
great elation over the preliminary
successes, pointing out that the
German territory about the Vis-
tula is strongly fortified along
the line of the Russian forward
march.

Newspaper dispatches assert
that the Austrian fortified port
of Cattaro, Dalmatia, has been de-
stroyed by the allied fleets.

Death of Francis

Joseph of Austria

Matter of Hours

LONDON, Aug. 25.—A Copen-
hagen dispatch to the Exchange
Telegraph company, dated August
24, says:

"The condition of Emperor Francis
Joseph of Austria, according to
telegrams received today, is much
worse. His death is a question of
hours."

Mrs. Koenig, Omaha,
Is Safe at Dresden

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Today's dis-
patches to the State department reported
the safety of the following Americans in
Europe, about whom inquiry has been
made:

Omaha—Mrs. Koenig, Dresden.
Des Moines—Hufmann, Leipzig.
Denver—Miss Hessler, Mr. Richter,
Dresden.

Los Angeles—Miss Barthelemy, Dresden.
Kalamazoo, Honolulu—Hosworth family,
Dresden.

San Antonio—Ralph Hoge, Dresden.
Fort Sam Houston—Mrs. Benjamin H.
Heiman, Dresden.

Montreal—Miss Baldwin, Dresden.

Try Again

If your first offerings
through Bee Want Ads did not
get the result you anticipated,
or those who did answer did
not accept your offer, or serv-
ices, you must remember that
everybody does not read the
ads every day, nor do they
read the same ads.

Yet, every day some one
is looking for just what
you have and if you pre-
sent it again sooner or
later they will investigate.

Do not be discouraged, but
have faith in your offering
every day in the week. Even
if it does take a number of
days to get the desired result,
are not they worth the small
amount spent?

Call Tyler 1000
to have your offering inserted
again.

House Will Deduct Pay from Absentees

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—On motion
of Democratic Leader Underwood, the house
voted today to deduct from the pay of
members for all time they are absent
except in case of illness. All leaves
were canceled. For days the house has
been forced to suspend business at times for
lack of a quorum.

GERMANS TAKE NAMUR CITY AND FIVE OF ITS FORTS

Kaiser's Troops Capture Belgian
Stronghold and Penetrate Line
of Allies at Vital Point.

GLOOM PERVADES ENGLAND

Expert of London Times Says Fall
of Namur After Two Days Will
Require Much Explanation.

FINE VICTORY FOR GERMANS

Intimation that Belgians Would
Avoid Big Fine Like that
Levied Against Liege.

MORE BAD NEWS TO COME

Times Says Germans Gained Ground
Along Entire Line.

CHRONICLE IS MORE CRITICAL