

FRENCH HOPE IS TO DELAY ENEMY

German Plan to Crush France by Terrible Blow and Then Face Russ Being Carried Out.

ALLIES PURELY ON DEFENSIVE

Abandon Offensive Movement They Were Pursuing on Frontiers Week Ago—Seek Only to Block the Way.

LONDON, Aug. 29.—Friday has been a day of momentous news. News of the gravest character came from France, where in a single week the aspects of the operations have changed entirely.

Last week the allied armies were pursuing an offensive campaign on all the frontiers. Now, according to official news received from Berlin, Emperor William is congratulating his people on the success of the German arms in the task of putting the "iron ring" around the allied armies from Cambrai, Department du Nord, France, to the Vosges, while Lord Kitchener, the British war minister, came into Parliament with the announcement that troops from India are being called to help the British arms in France, and that the British army is to be immediately reinforced.

Seant Consolation. The only consolation offered the British public was the testimony from Field Marshal Sir John French that in the heavy fighting against tremendous odds, the British troops, who suffered severely, bore themselves with conspicuous bravery.

It is already realized that the terrible struggle is only at its beginning, and that the German plan of campaign, openly revealed to Sir William Edward Goschen, then British ambassador to Germany, by Gottlieb von Jagow, the German foreign secretary, as shown by the official paper published yesterday, namely to strike the swiftest and strongest blow at France, regardless of Belgian neutrality or any other hindrance, and then, when France is at Germany's feet, for Germany to turn its attention to the Russian attack, is being carried through ruthlessly.

Purely on Defensive. The offensive strategy of the allies is abandoned. The German army, in vastly superior numbers, has imposed on the allies a purely defensive strategy, which is devoted to delaying as much as possible what now seems to be an inevitable advance on Paris.

Little can be gathered either from British or French official accounts of the great battle of the last week. In fact more is learned from what is omitted than from what is stated. The only thing that is clear is that the allies are fighting on the defensive on ever-receding lines, while it is becoming increasingly clear that the desire to make a brilliant coup in Alsace-Lorraine was a weak spot in French strategy.

On the side of the allies, whose efforts are devoted to gaining time while the Russians overrun Prussia, is the fact that their armies are still in being and that Germany may run some danger from their ever lengthening lines of communication. That this danger is not negligible is shown by the news that Emperor William has ordered the mobilization of the last reserves to protect communications and occupy Belgium so that the troops now engaged in this work may be released to go to the front, where they are badly needed to replace Germany's heavy losses in killed and wounded.

The work of provisioning and supplying the German armies is greatly facilitated by the Germans being able to draw on Belgium for supplies. The British public is facing the disappointing news with patient determination. The Spectator says today in an editorial note:

Case for Anxiety. There is cause for anxiety and there is cause for stern determination; above all, there is cause for unflinching energy in military preparation, but there is no cause for despair or even despondency. Time is with us and against our enemies."

On the eastern battlefield the war news continues favorable to the allies. The Russians continue to advance in east Prussia and Poland, neither the German nor the Austrian forces apparently being able to withstand them.

VETERAN UNION GENERAL DIES IN HOME FOR AGED

CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—Brigadier General Truman Hotchkiss, breveted for distinguished service in the civil war, died here tonight at the age of 82. Since the loss of the considerable fortune he once possessed and the death of his son several years ago, the veteran resided at the James B. King home for the aged.

BRITISH WOUNDED ARE BROUGHT TO SOUTHAMPTON

SOUTHAMPTON, England, Aug. 29.—The first hospital ship from France arrived here last night with 39 British wounded from the first battle at Mons. Nearly all the men were injured by shell fire.

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No Trace of Tornado at Sacred Heart



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ting the structure. More artistic than the former front is the new entrance and apartment, which now make the building better than before. The Academy of the Sacred Heart is situated in one of the most beautiful residential spots of Omaha. It is a typical

school home, facing the residence of Bishop Scannell. Its grounds are picturesque, wide-spreading and tempered with trees of many varieties. "Park Place" is a name most appropriately selected for the campus is a veritable park, most inviting in its quiet seclusion.

LOUVAIN BURNED AND CITIZENS SHOT

Belgian Seat of Learning Despoiled and Residents Put to Sword by Army Corps.

FUGITIVES TELL TALES OF RUIN

Clergymen Shot Down and Nuns Forced to Flee from Their Cloisters—Bombs Used to Wreck City.

(Copyright, 1914, by Press Publishing Co.) TERNUZED, Holland, Aug. 29.—(Special Cablegram to the New York World and Omaha Bee.)—Louvain was sacked Wednesday night by the Germans and a great part of its people was massacred, including women, children and clergy. Their nationality did not save them. English and American clergymen, alike, were slain. All the noble public buildings, including the town hall, library and university were destroyed.

Such is the tale of horror disclosed at Malines by fleeing refugees and confirmed by the procurer and by escaped notables from the destroyed city. The atrocity seems incredible, but there is no reason to doubt its truth.

Fired on by Own Men. What was the cause of this sudden outbreak one cannot say. The refugees tell only of the horrors; they can give no reason, but what seems to have happened is that the German army was defeated at Malines the previous day and fell back upon Louvain in some disorder. Reaching the town in the evening, the German fugitives were fired upon in error by their own troops.

Rage at this misfortune and chagrin over the defeat seems to have inflamed the soldiers, who set about systematically to massacre the population and destroy the city, whose monuments belonged as much to civilization as to Belgium.

Slaughter Begins. It is not possible to put on paper the accounts of the fugitives. They were given in gestures and broken exclamations rather than in sentences. The report was always the same, that their population had done nothing, but last night returning German soldiers began to arrive. Suddenly the Germans became angry and began to slaughter, pillage and destroy. None of the horrors of the worst incidents of barbarian warfare seem to have been lacking.

City Lies in Ruins. From what was told me, nothing remains of Louvain but ruins, nor of its population but fugitives. It is possible that when the full story comes to be told it will be found the horror was not quite so great for all accounts are from people fleeing for their lives, but among those people were four civic dignitaries who were in the city during the night and who were actually in the hands of the Germans but escaped.

They are inclined to think it was the German rage at the defeat at Malines which set aflame the barbarian passions. They declare emphatically that since the unopposed occupation of Louvain by the Germans a week ago the civil population had given no cause for offense.

The attack upon the unarmed population came suddenly, the Germans firing in the street, going from house to house, pillaging, ravishing, murdering and setting the houses on fire. Neither age nor sex was respected. Almost all the clergy were shot, including one English and one American clergyman. The monstrous work continued throughout the night, and in the morning those officials, who had taken refuge in the church, were driven out of town at the point of bayonets, but not killed, the fit of murderous rage having evidently passed.

Nuns Flee Cloisters. On the road from Louvain to Antwerp crowds of pitiful refugees could be seen. Nuns fleeing from their cloisters, priests from their churches, the sick carried on their beds, the aged tottering along with the help of their children, all who could, carrying some poor article of household furniture. In one cart were collected seventeen children, evidently of several families, then in another handcart an old pained woman was pushed on by her grandchild. All were fleeing to Antwerp as the city of refuge, the city which shudders in the darkness throughout the nights at the fear of midnight bombs.

Among the train of fugitives were ambulances of the Belgian army in which are carried solicitously the German wounded to the hospitals.

MILLIONAIRES CRY FOR FOOD

Such is Observation of Nebraska Woman in Paris During War.

MONEY CRISIS WAS GREAT

Miss Frances Long of Madison Writes Parents of Difficulty to Get American Paper Exchanged for Money.

"Stranded millionaires came and sat in the court yard of the hotels and cried because they had no money to buy their breakfast," says Miss Frances Long, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Long of Madison, Neb., in a letter in which she describes the experiences of herself and other tourists in Paris during the four days of great excitement since the war broke out. The letter has just been received by Dr. and Mrs. Long, the first letter from her since the war broke out.

Miss Long is conducting a party of tourists through Europe. She has made a number of trips abroad and has picked up enough of German and French to become a competent guide.

"The money crisis was great," she wrote of the situation in Paris. "The millionaires and school teachers were in the same fix. We had checks we could not cash and the hotels would not take people who could not pay. Cook's agency discounted their own checks 25 per cent. Finally the American Express company cashed checks at par in French paper money."

"At the Palace hotel the Americans finally met to devise ways and means of getting themselves home. It was very exciting there all afternoon with so many other Americans, all of the rich and poor alike in trouble," writes Miss Long.

"Each one had been through some harrowing experiences. The party stood in line twelve hours at the office of the police commissaire to register to get permission to stay in Paris. Sunday, August 2; Monday and Tuesday nights following, the Avenue d'Opera was a continuous line of soldiers and equipment passing. By Tuesday night all was peaceful on the streets. Friday taxicabs were to be had on every hand as of old. People even began to sit out in front of the shops and have their drinks. Money seemed quite easy that day, and many shops reopened."

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In Answer to Numerous Letters of Solicitation Local Commercial Men See Promising Results.

Through the International Commission agency, just organized in Omaha, manufacturers and jobbers hope to develop a large export business with South America, and in fact with all the world as soon as the wars are over. While the wars are in progress, however, the South American, or Latin-American trade is to be especially cultivated. It is the belief of the Omaha manufacturers that while German and English trade is cut off with South America, American trade should gain a greater foothold than it ever had before.

The new commission agency has written out hundreds of letters to South American and European merchants with a view to soliciting business for Omaha made goods. Many replies have already been received from merchants in foreign lands who hope to begin to import from America. The work in Omaha is conducted with especial facility, due to the fact that W. J. De Winter is doing the foreign correspondence for the commission firm. He is a Hollander by birth. He has been a student of languages all his life. Today he speaks, reads and writes fluently six languages, English, German, Dutch, French, Spanish and Italian. He is the foreign correspondent for the Woodmen of the World, and has been doing the letter writing to foreign lands for the commission men on the side.

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is to hold a meeting Friday at which the matter of pushing the export trade to South America through this channel is to be taken up especially.

Favorable replies have been received from merchants in Brazil, Peru, Ecuador, Uruguay, Paraguay, Argentina, and many other countries. Among others from which answers have come favorable to establishing trade relations is Bulgaria. Of course nothing can be done in this relation until the European war is over.

Americans Get Short End. The figures of 1912 show that of Latin-American imports the United States furnished only one-fourth, while Germany has a large share over the trade, and the United Kingdom of Great Britain has the largest. France also has shipped a great deal of its goods to South America as well as many other countries from all over the world. On account of the proximity of the United States and the added facility of the Panama canal, it is felt the United States should be furnishing a great deal more than imports for Latin-America.

On the other hand the figures show that Americans get one-third of all that Latin-American exports. In other words, the balance of the trade with South America is against the United States, and the manufacturers seek to change that condition.

FIGHTING IN STREETS OF MEXICO CITY IS REPORTED

VERA CRUZ, Mexico, Aug. 2.—Private messages from Mexico City says there was fighting in the streets of the capital again yesterday and that several persons were killed. The censorship there makes it impossible for Mexican refugees here to get any details. Passengers from Puerto Mexico says that General Rincon and his garrison of 400 men there have revolted and joined the former federal soldiers who revolted at Salinas Cruz, thus

giving them control of the Isthmian railway.

Censors Won't Pass One Another's Stuff

PARIS, Aug. 29.—The English and French censors appear to be as busy on news passed by one or the other of the allied official news bureaus as on the dispatches of the newspaper correspondents. The British censorship stops parts of official communications issued by the war office in Paris, and the French censors appear to have delayed on two or three occasions, announcements made in the House of Commons regarding the situation of the armies. The French censorship, however, seems less severe than that in England on news originating in France.



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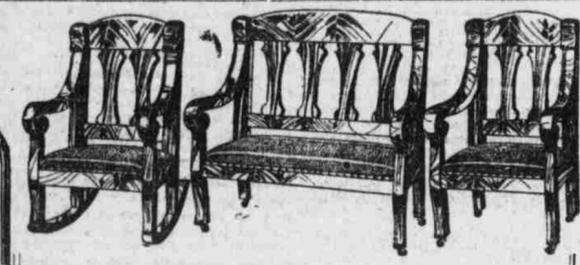
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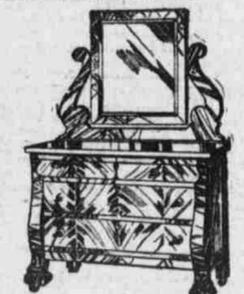
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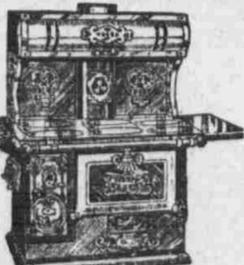
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