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KAISER REFUSES JAPAN'S DEMANDS

CHINA WANTS U. S. TO TAKE OVER KIAOCHAU; PLAN IS DOUBTFUL

GERMANY WON'T YIELD TO JAPAN; MEANWHILE KAISER'S ARMIES KEEP DRIVING ON

Persistent Report Belgian Capital is Taken—French Reoccupy Mulhausen After Bayonet Engagement—Russians Win a Victory

[Associated Press service by Federal Wireless.]

LONDON, England, August 20.—The Exchange Telegraph says that the French, British and Belgian allies have defeated the Germans in battle at Tirlemont, 25 miles from Brussels toward the German border. The Germans are declared to have lost heavily and retired.

Kaiser Orders Resistance to Japan

LONDON, England, August 20.—It is officially understood here that Kaiser Wilhelm has ordered Germany to resist to the last Japan's demands, issued in the form of an ultimatum, that Germany withdraw her military forces from the Pacific.

China Wishes to Avert Attack by Japanese

PEKING, China, August 20.—China has inquired through Ambassador Paul Samuel Reinsch, what would be America's attitude toward the cession of Kiaochau, the site of the German colony on the Chinese coast, by Germany to the United States, with the plan of carrying through an immediate re-cession of the territory to China.

It is understood that Germany promoted the suggestion of this method of avoiding Japanese attack on the colony and of settling a possible cause of dispute in the Far East.

China doubts whether either Great Britain or Japan will approve such a plan. China herself is resolved to maintain absolute passivity, whatever Japan does.

AMERICA WILL GO SLOWLY

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 20.—It was given out at the state department today that America will not accept the plan for a cession of Kiaochau unless both Japan and Great Britain are agreeable to it.

Occupation of Brussels Now Imminent

LONDON, England, August 20.—Advices received here late today declare that the occupation of Brussels by the German troops is imminent.

The burgomaster has ordered the civic guard to disarm in order to avert reprisal by the invaders. Wire communication with the city was interrupted this afternoon.

The official government press bureau admits that the Belgians and retreating from Brussels before superior numbers. The invaders have reached a point between Dinant and Neufchateau, 25 miles from the historic field of Sedan. The north wing of the German army reaches the river Dyle, midway between Brussels and Antwerp.

If the Germans make a raid on Antwerp now, the Belgians are likely to attack the rear guard.

PARIS, France, August 20.—Explaining the transfer of the Belgian government from Brussels to Antwerp, the Paris Temps today says that a member of the Belgian cabinet makes the following statement:

"The Belgians had not sufficient cavalry to engage the vast curtain of German horsemen which covered both banks of the river Meuse. This army of German cavalry is now advancing toward Brussels. The capital was exposed to a sudden raid. Under these circumstances it was simple prudence to retire."

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, August 20.—Three thousand Americans are marooned on the Scandinavian peninsula, unable to get away on account of lack of steamer facilities and being in many cases without funds.

PARIS, France, August 20.—A persistent but unconfirmed report says that Brussels has been captured by the Germans.

Cavalry is known to be threatening the city, which is not strongly fortified for such an attack as is now being launched against it.

The Belgian burghers are entrenching themselves and barricading the roads against raids but such defenses are useless against major operations of the kind Germany is conducting.

Germany's main temporary objective is now at Antwerp, it is plain. Antwerp is formidably fortified. The capture of Brussels, while morally valuable to the German cause, is strategically insignificant, according to the French military critics. The Belgian army is now retiring on Antwerp.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT BY BRITAIN SHOWS GERMANS WINNING BELGIUM

(ASSOCIATED PRESS BY FEDERAL WIRELESS)

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 20.—An official statement from Great Britain as to the war status in Europe today has been made public through a statement of the British embassy here summarizing the situation as follows:

Since the declaration of war the British fleet has been responsible for the safety of the expeditionary force to the continent, which completed its landing on August 18 in perfect order and without a casualty.

The German fleet outside the Baltic has been confined to German harbors. German commerce is paralyzed. British commerce is almost normal.

The German armies now extend from north of Basle, on the Alsatian border of Switzerland, which is east of Antwerp and near the Dutch frontier. The German forces are gaining ground slowly in Belgium. The southern army of Germany has been forced to assume the defensive, as the French are aggressively occupying the majority of Alsace and Lorraine.

Shriners Cross Hot Sands At Hot Speed, Are Given Hot Time

(Special Star-Bulletin Wireless)
WAILUKU, Maui, August 20.—Honolulu shriners to the number of five attempted to cross the hot sands in an auto-caravan. The sands proved too hot for the tires of the machine and the wearers of the fez, literally "burned it up."
Result?
The wearers of the scimitar and star offended the dignity of the minions of law and order of Wailuku, were incarcerated in an ironbound temple and held, pending the arrival of brothers bearing peace offerings.
The shriners remained in jail but a short time, bail being quickly furnished by fellow travelers.

CARDINALS WILL NAME NEW POPE ABOUT SEPT. 3

Funeral Ceremonies for Pius X to Occupy Nine Days—Burying Place Uncertain

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
ROME, Italy, Aug. 20.—Pope Pius X died at 1:30 o'clock this morning, his last words being the murmured repetition of his motto, "Together in one and all things in Christ."

The Pope recovered consciousness just before the end and attempted to bestow his blessings on those at his bedside, but his strength failed and he was unable to accomplish his purpose.

The conclave of cardinals to choose his successor, this being the formal election of the new Pope, will probably be held September 3. The funeral ceremonies will occupy nine days. Where he will be buried is uncertain, but it is believed that he chose St. Peter's for his resting place.

(The story of the Pope's life and the events surrounding his death are published on Page 12 today.)

GENERAL OF SOCIETY OF JESUS DIES JUST AS POPE PASSES AWAY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
ROME, Italy, Aug. 20.—Father Francis Xavier Wernz, General of the Society of Jesus and sometimes called the "Black Pope," died almost simultaneously with Pope Pius.

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Wilhelm Confers With Navy Chiefs



From left to right, Emperor William of Germany, Admiral von Tirpitz, minister of marine, and Admiral von Holtzdorff of the Imperial German navy.

MEXICO HAS NEW PRESIDENT AND VILLA SATISFIED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
MEXICO CITY, Mex., Aug. 20.—President Carranza, head of the victorious Constitutionalists, entered the capital city today and was given a great ovation.

CHIHUAHUA CITY, Mex., Aug. 20.—Gen. Pancho Villa says that a peaceful settlement between himself and Carranza will soon be effected. No details are given as to the progress of the negotiations.

FAMILY ESCAPES AS THEIR HOME BURNS TO GROUND

A dwelling occupied by Fred Cockett on Fernandez street near its intersection with Kalihl Road, and not far from the Kamehameha school, was totally destroyed by fire this morning. With the exception of a few articles of household furniture, the contents went up in flame. The department had been summoned but arrived too late to be of any service.
Mrs. Cockett and family of four children escaped injuries.

SUGAR
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 19.—Sugar: 96 degrees test, 6.31 cents. Previous quotation, 6.52 cents.

TODAY'S MAJOR LEAGUE RESULTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
At Boston—Boston 3, Chicago 2.
At Washington—Washington 5, St. Louis 4.
At New York—Cleveland 11, New York 8.
At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 3, Detroit 1.
NATIONAL LEAGUE.
At Chicago—Chicago 3, Brooklyn 2.
At Pittsburg—Boston 6, Pittsburg 3.
At St. Louis—Philadelphia 1, St. Louis 0.

How They Stand

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
W. L. Pct.
Philadelphia 72 36 667
Boston 58 47 552
Washington 58 51 532
St. Louis 55 52 514
Chicago 56 55 505
Detroit 55 56 495
New York 48 61 440
Cleveland 36 80 310

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
W. L. Pct.
New York 57 45 559
Boston 58 47 552
St. Louis 59 53 527
Chicago 57 52 523
Philadelphia 50 55 478
Brooklyn 49 58 467
Pittsburg 48 56 462
Cincinnati 46 60 434

SEA-COMMERCE OF TWO NATIONS FAST FALLING PREY TO THE ALLIES

Two Hundred German and Austrian Ships, Valued at \$300,000,000, Said to Have Been Taken—Hundreds More Liable to Seizure

[Associated Press service by Federal Wireless.]

LONDON, England, August 20.—An announcement from the government press bureau intimates that the French, Russian and British allies on the sea have captured 200 German and Austrian ships which are held prizes of war, totaling a million of tonnage and valued at not less than \$300,000,000.

Five hundred more ships, valued at \$700,000,000, are liable to capture momentarily.

Germany Helping Americans

ROTTERDAM, Netherlands, August 20.—Returning Americans are emphatic in their declarations that Germany is doing its utmost to relieve distressed Americans unable to depart from the kingdom. The previous stories of abuse of Americans are not borne out by these later statements.

Many hotels, it is asserted, are giving credit or accepting personal checks in payment of bills.

Some 700 Americans, according to late estimates, are marooned in German towns where they are unable to obtain cash or credit.

PARIS, France, August 20.—The French forces invading Alsace have reoccupied Mulhausen, according to reports today. To drive out the German soldiers a severe engagement was necessary and the French captured a suburb, commanding the city, at the point of the bayonet, the fighting at this point being of the most sanguinary character.

Germans Gain Ground Steadily

BRUSSELS, Belgium, August 20.—According to an official statement here, the German invading forces are gaining ground on both banks of the river Meuse and have renewed hostile contact with the armies of the allies.

Finding the southern route through to France strongly defended, they have discovered a northern opening, it is said, which may change the entire plan of campaign on both sides.

The Belgians, according to this statement, for a fortnight did all that could be expected to retard the enemy. Their forces will now be merged with those of the French and British allies, according to the general plan of strategy.

PARIS HAS 600,000 IN DISTRESS

PARIS, France, August 20.—The French government estimates that 600,000 people in the capital are now unemployed. The government is opening vast soup kitchens in order to relieve the growing distress.

The cause of the unemployment is the paralyzing of the great industries in dressmaking, millinery, lace embroidery and artificial flower-making and selling. The government is endeavoring to employ the armies of idle people on unfinished buildings and other extensive charitable enterprises.

FRANCE PROBING ALLEGED GERMAN CRUELITIES

PARIS, France, August 20.—The French government has instituted an official inquiry into alleged German cruelties to prisoners who have fallen into their hands in recent battles. Witnesses are to be heard and testimony taken systematically.

AUSTRIANS DEFEAT SLEEPY COSSACKS

CRACOW, Galicia, Austria-Hungary, August 20.—The correspondent of the London Exchange Telegram says that the Austrians surprised a thousand sleeping Cossacks near the border and killed and wounded 400. The Austrians are reported to have occupied Mischow. Their own casualties are given as 140.

GOLD FAMINE TROUBLING PERU

LEMA, Peru, August 20.—As a result of the European war, gold circulation in Peru is paralyzed, the banks and other holders declining to pay out coin. The Peruvian congress has authorized the banks to issue \$5,000,000 in paper under a 35 per cent gold guarantee.

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia, August 20.—The local correspondent of Reuter's Telegram Company says that Grand Duke Nicholas has congratulated Prince Alexander of Serbia on account of Serbia's brilliant victories over the Austrians in their late engagements.

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia, August 20.—An official statement given out here today says that the Russians have occupied the important German town of Gumbinnen, 20 miles inside the German frontier, have captured 12 guns and taken many prisoners.