



GERMANS ENCOUNTER LITTLE RESISTANCE IN TAKING NAMUR

Wire Entanglements, Electricity and Broken Glass Useless to Belgians

CHARLEROI, CITY OF DEAD

French Guns Battered Town and Drove Germans Across Sambre River

Special to The Telegraph. London, Aug. 26, 5 a. m.—The Paris correspondent of the Times, who had been on the battlefield earlier in the fighting, says he met a few miles outside of Philippeville, a Belgian officer and the paymaster general of Namur, who told him that the town of Namur had been occupied by the Germans. It had been subjected to a furious bombardment and the German fire was so well regulated that the first shots had silenced Fort Marcheville on the northeast and Fort Maizeret on the east. Fort Andoy also suffered badly and was almost out of action.

The story continues: "The Germans entered the town without encountering much resistance. Fort Dave at the southeast of the town and Fort Wepon on the opposite side of the Meuse and the line of forts to the north still resist.

"In spite of the elaborate preparations with wire entanglements through which was passed an electrical current of 1,500 volts, and the liberal use of broken glass, Namur fell into the hands of the Germans on Sunday.

"The Belgians evacuated the town in an orderly manner. All rolling stock and motor cars were removed and the stationmaster left on the last locomotive with the railway cash box under his arm. The Belgian troops numbering about 3,000, passed under the protection of a French cavalry screen, within the French lines."

Open Fire on Charleroi. The correspondent adds: "Thus the Germans have done much to win mastery over the two banks of the Meuse almost as far as Dinant. They however, left behind them six or eight forts of Namur which, it is expected, will be held by the French."

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THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Partly cloudy to-night and Thursday, not much change in temperature. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Partly cloudy to-night; Thursday partly cloudy and slightly warmer; gentle east wind.

River. The main river will continue to fall indefinitely. A stage of about 2.2 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Thursday morning.

General Conditions. Cloudy weather has prevailed over the eastern part of the country during the last twenty-four hours and rain has fallen over most of the territory south and east of the Ohio river.

A further fall of 2 to 12 degrees has occurred in temperature generally over the last twenty-four hours of the Rocky Mountains, except in a few localities, where it is slightly warmer.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 62. Sun: Bites, 5:26 a. m.; sets, 6:48 p. m. First quarter, August 27, 11:52 a. m. River Stage: 2.8 feet above low water mark.

Yesterday's Weather. Highest temperature, 66. Lowest temperature, 61. Mean temperature, 64. Normal temperature, 70.

MARRIAGE LICENSES. Emery M. Malley and Elizabeth Serach, city. Jacob Quicquel and Bertha Peiffer, city.

Late News Bulletins

Hong Kong, Aug. 25.—The German steamer Elizabeth has been captured and sunk in midocean. Paris, Aug. 26, 11 a. m.—The French war office was silent this morning. No official announcement has been issued. Unofficial military opinion is that the fighting along the French-Belgian frontier continues. Quiet confidence exists in Paris that the allies will hold off the German attack and take the offensive when the proper hour arrives. Rome, Aug. 25, 5:55 P. M. Via Paris, Aug. 26, 3:45 A. M.—The American embassy through the consuls has advised all Americans in Italy to return home now while communications between Europe and the United States are free. Later, it is said, complications may arise rendering transportation difficult. The warning adds, "Americans doing otherwise remain at their own risk." Columbia, S. C., Aug. 26.—Additional but incomplete returns to-day from all counties in the Democratic senatorial primary give Gov. Cole L. Blease 48,000 and Senator E. D. Smith 65,000 out of 117,000 votes reported. Chicago, Aug. 26.—Excited by predictions that the European war would be long drawn out, the wheat market soared to-day and a half hour before the close was seven to eight cents higher than yesterday's close. December wheat sold at \$1.15 and May at \$1.21 1/2. Cleveland, Aug. 26.—C. C. Bliss, aged 70, secretary of a Cleveland wholesale provision company, was shot and killed early to-day in East Forty-third street, by an unidentified man who then killed himself by firing a bullet into his mouth. London, Aug. 26, 3:45 P. M.—David Lloyd George, the chancellor of the Exchequer to-day introduced in the House of Commons a resolution as the basis for the forthcoming war loan bill. The bill, Mr. Lloyd George said, would differ from the previous war loan measurements in two respects. Seattle, Wash., Aug. 26.—Ten lives were lost when the steel passenger steamship Admiral Sampson of the Pacific Alaska Navigation Company was rammed and sunk by the Canadian Pacific passenger steamship Princess Victoria at 6:30 o'clock this morning. Washington, Aug. 26.—The German embassy to-day received the following wireless message from the Berlin Foreign Office by way of Sayville, L. I.: "An English cavalry brigade has been repulsed at Maugebe. An English infantry division has been beaten off with complete rout of the division. An Austrian corps attacked two Russian corps south of Krasnik and carried off 3,000 prisoners, three colors, 21 guns and seven mitrailleuses."

REPUBLICANS TO SETTLE PLATFORM IN COMMITTEE

State Committeemen Will Determine Whether to Declare For Local Option or Not

DR. BRUMBAUGH'S POSITION

Says That His Speech Will Be His Platform For the Coming Campaign Work

Special to The Telegraph. Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 26.—Indications early this afternoon are that the draft of the Republican State platform to be submitted to the Republican State committee to-night at the Pitt Theater will not contain any declaration on local option. There were rumors that the committee would submit two drafts. Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh, candidate for governor, who arrived during the morning, said, "I have not seen the platform. My own speech to

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If Would-be Suicide Recovers He'll Never Be Able to Talk Again

William Charles, aged 68 years, of 1411 South Twelfth street, during a fit of despondency this morning attempted to end his life by cutting his throat with a razor. Charles is in the hospital in a serious condition and little hope is entertained for his recovery. He has had frequent attacks of despondency during the past six months and often threatened to kill himself. The aged man brooded over his inability to get employment and over the death of his wife, which occurred some time ago. At the hospital it was found that Mr. Charles had an ugly gash in his throat. The razor had severed the esophagus, but had cut no arteries. Should he recover, he will not have the power of speech.

PENNA. GUARDSMEN WITH HUNGARIAN HUZZARS AT FRONT

War Correspondent Says They Went Back Home Without One Thought of Duty

Pennsylvania's National Guard is represented in the big European war. In the September number of The World's War magazine, known as "The War Manual," James E. J. Archibald, war correspondent, gives special reference to former Pennsylvania National Guard soldiers now at the front in the great war theater of the continent. Mr. Archibald, who has seen service in fifteen campaigns, has been with twenty-six armies in the field and has seen sixteen armies in actual international war. He writes his impressions of fighting armies for the "World's Work." Among other things he says: "I was visiting a couple weeks in Belgrade and was invited by the Austrian minister, Count Forstach, to attend a review of several thousand troops at Semlin, just across the river in Hungary. While riding back to the barracks after the review the commanding officer of the regiment of Hungarian Hussars, with whom I rode, called up man after man from the ranks to speak to me.

"Every one of them were American citizens, eight of them belonged to the Pennsylvania National Guard, and each of them had returned to Hungary for his military service as a matter of pleasure, not duty. The war spirit is very strong."

"PATRONAGE WAS NOT DISCUSSED"



Announcement at Democratic headquarters after conference of Morris, Blakslee, et al: "Patronage was not discussed."

Asks Police to Help Find Sister; Learns She's Arrested

Pretty Philadelphia Girl and Italian Companion Held For "White Slave" Hearing

On a charge of enticing pretty 17-year-old Minnie Bekeroff here from Philadelphia, Morris Muff, an Italian, was to-day held in default of \$1,000 bail by Alderman Edward Hilton for a hearing on charges of violating the Mann "white slave" act. Muff and the girl were arrested together last night at 123 South Third street. They had registered as man and wife. They were held by the

TRIPP CONFIRMS THE RUMOR THAT HE IS GOING TO NEW YORK

Commerce Chamber Will Take No Action Until Regular Election Time

George B. Tripp, president of the Chamber of Commerce and vice-president and general manager of the Harrisburg Light and Power Company, today confirmed the report that he is to become an operating executive of the United Gas and Electric Corporation, with headquarters in New York city, and that the general management of the company would be taken over by C. M. Kaltwasser, general manager of the electric company at Lockport, N. Y. Mr. Kaltwasser will be succeeded at Lockport by Edgar Z. Wallower, city, now superintendent of construction for the local firm. All the

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CALLS REPORTS THAT AMERICANS WERE NOT WELL TREATED FALSE

Returned Tourist Describes Mobilization Scenes and Tells of Difficulties Encountered

For the Telegraph Mrs. Elizabeth Graybill, of Philadelphia, who is visiting her brother, E. Z. Wallower, has written some of the experiences through which she passed in Europe immediately prior to and during the earlier days of the great conflict and of how she eventually got out of the war-torn country to America. Mrs. Graybill made the voyage home with a party that included Miss May Fox, 129 Walnut street, and Dr. and

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CHARLEROI STREETS FILLED WITH DEAD AFTER GREAT FIGHT

French Infantryman Declares Carnage at Charleroi Is Indescribable

London, Aug. 26, 5:12 A. M.—Returning from the front a correspondent of the Times sends the following under a Paris date: "The streets of Charleroi are filled with dead. At Mons the British troops have made themselves at home. Preparations for the city's defense were extremely comforting in their workmanlike detail. In the woods lurked innumerable field guns. Everywhere in the town confidence was dominant. "When with heavy firing audible in

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British Ship Damages Steamer Princess Alice

Manila, Aug. 26.—The North German Lloyd steamer Princess Alice reached Cuba from Zamboanga with a huge hole in her stern patched with cement. The captain admits that after leaving Manila he tried to establish wireless connection with Yap, one of the Carline Islands but found that the Yap station had been destroyed by the British. While speeding from Zambo he was chased by a British warship and barely reached port. He does not explain the damage to his vessel. The Princess Alice sailed from Hamburg June 25 for Yokohama and arrived at Penang, July 29.

Breckinridge Leaves Berlin For Vienna

Berlin, Aug. 26, (By Wireles) Henry Breckinridge, the American assistant secretary of war, accompanied by a group of officers from the American cruiser Tennessee, left here to-day for Vienna. Mr. Breckinridge and his staff are distributing to needy Americans the financial relief sent to the continent by the American government on the Tennessee.

American Minister Protests Against Hurling of Bombs

London, Aug. 26, 1:38 P. M.—The Daily News publishes a dispatch from its Antwerp correspondent saying it is reported that the American minister to Belgium, Brand Whitlock, has sent an energetic protest to the German government against the hurling of bombs into Antwerp from a Zeppelin airship.

German Forces Levy on Brabant For \$90,000,000; Exhaust Champagne Supply

London, Aug. 26, 3:18 A. M.—A dispatch to the Morning Post from Antwerp says: "In addition to the German levy of \$40,000,000 on Brussels the province of Brabant has been levied on for \$90,000,000, to be paid by September 1. "The German officers at Brussels are living riotously. The city's supply of champagne is becoming exhausted. The royal palaces have been invaded by German officers."

Places His Houses in France at Disposal of Red Cross Society

Theodore D. Boals, of Boalsburg, a member of the well-known Center county family, who was here to-day, has arranged to place the two houses owned by him in France at the disposal of the Red Cross organization for hospitals. He will also send a complete equipment of all necessary stores for them. Mr. Boals, who spends part of his time in Washington and France, is well known throughout the State, as his family is one of the noted residences in Center county. His niece has already gone to France to take charge of the arrangements to convert the houses into hospitals.

Austrians Victorious in Three Days' Battle

Berlin, Aug. 26, by wireless to the Associated Press, by way of Nauen and Sayville, L. I.—Official reports made public in Vienna and received here by telegraph says that the battle of three days duration at Krasnik in Russian Poland, 28 miles southwest of Lublin, ended yesterday in a complete Austrian victory. The Russian forces were repulsed along the entire front of 70 kilometers (42 miles) and now in full flight in the direction of Lublin. According to official announcement made here to-day, Lieut. General Prince Frederic of Saxe-Meiningen, was killed by a shell before Namur August 23. No news of the situation on the eastern and western front of Germany has been given out to-day.

The above dispatch evidently clears up the reports published yesterday and to-day that an uncle of Emperor William had been killed in battle. The identity of the German Nobleman who has lost his life, up to the receipt of this dispatch from Berlin, had been uncertain. A report from Paris said he was presumed to be prince Albert of Schleswig-Holstein. Prince Frederic of Saxe-Meiningen was born in 1861. He was the third son of George, late Duke of Saxe-Meiningen. He was married in 1889 to Adelaide, princess of Lippe and had six children.

Austrians Win in Poland; Russians in Prussia; War Grows

Austria Declares War on Japan According to Dispatches From Vienna to Rome; Russians Continue Their Offensive Movement and Are Pouring Additional Troops Into German Territory; Germany May Take Ostend as Naval Base For Operations Against Great Britain; No Decisive Engagement on French Frontier.

London, Aug. 26, 5:26 P. M.—German forces delivered an attack on the French southern frontier yesterday. They were repulsed and retired all along the line.

This information was given out by the official bureau this afternoon. The text of the announcement is as follows:

"It is officially announced that on August 25 the French, on their southern frontier, were attacked in force by the Germans.

"The attack was repulsed and the enemy retired all along the line."

New York, Aug. 26.—The Japanese attack on Tsing-Tau, the fortified port of the territory of Kiaochow, has failed and the Japanese are preparing for a siege, according to a cable message received here to-day by Count Von Bernstorff, German ambassador to the United States from the German embassy at Peking.

London, Aug. 26, 11:45 A. M.—A dispatch from Paris says: "The losses of the Austrians in the battle of the Drina continue to grow according to the telegrams from Nish. The latest aver that out of 300,000 Austrians engaged, 15,000 were killed, 30,000 wounded and 15,000 made prisoners. Seventy-five guns were captured."

London, Aug. 26, 3:26 P. M.—A dispatch to the Reuter Telegram Company from its Antwerp correspondent says that another raid on the city by a Zeppelin airship was attempted last night. The effective measures taken by the Belgian military authorities, the correspondent continues, caused the German airship to retire.

London, Aug. 24, 8:40 A. M.—A Central News dispatch from Paris states positively that Austria has declared war on Japan.

London, Aug. 26, 5 A. M.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from Antwerp says that all the German troops are reported to have departed from Brussels and that the Belgians expect to rec occupy the city immediately.

Official reports made public in Vienna and transmitted from Berlin by wireless to New York declare that a battle of three days' duration at Krasnik, in Russian Poland, ended yesterday in a complete Austrian victory. The Russian forces were repulsed along the entire front and are in full flight in the direction of Lublin.

This is the first indication of an Austrian advance into Russian territory. Krasnik is about twenty miles north of the Galician frontier.

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Germans Beaten Off After British Forces Lost 2,000 Soldiers

Paris, Aug. 26, 3:50 a. m.—According to Englishmen arriving from Mons, the British army was attacked six times by six different bodies of Germans and beat them all off. They estimate the English casualties at 2,000. They report that the allies made a head-on attack of the Germans near Mons. Certain parts of the field, were covered with German dead piled so high that the Turks, the French African troops, had difficulty in getting over the bodies to attack the Prussian guards.

Germans May Use Ostend as Base of Operations Against Great Britain

London, Aug. 26, 4:10 A. M.—The Daily Mail believes the Germans will occupy Ostend for use later as a base of operations against England. "The German movement against Ostend is of great importance and is dictated possibly by naval as well as military considerations," says the paper. "Ostend is only sixty-six miles off the British coast. If the Germans establish themselves there and bring up heavy artillery they may render it a dangerous base of operations against England. Airships acting from it could watch the channel and the Thomas and carry out raids against Great Britain.

"From a naval standpoint Ostend is well equipped to serve as a refuge and harbor. It is strongly held by land several German warships might attempt a dash thither from Wilhelmshaven and Helgoland. They then could carry out a harassing warfare against shipping in the channel and await a favorable opportunity for disembarking expeditionary forces for the British Isles."

Plank to Protect the American Industries in Republican Platform

Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 26.—The Republican State convention adjourned here to-day after a short session during which a platform was adopted by unanimous vote. The so-called liquor plank, over which the rules committee argued practically all last night, pleased the party to stand in favor of continued restriction of the liquor traffic under the present laws and such liquor laws as hereafter may be enacted. Woman suffrage is not mentioned in the platform. Other planks call for a "tariff law that will protect American industries," a merchant marine and liberal appropriations for agricultural purposes. "We denounce the Underwood tariff act as a law in the interest of the foreigner rather than the American producer." The platform states: "Governor Cox was characterized as a State executive wielding 'autocratic powers' and his administration generally was attacked.

"God Save Belgium" 3-Word Prayer on Every Letter From That Land

"God Save Belgium." Across the face of every letter that has gone out of Belgium since the outbreak of the European wars, is that quaint little prayer of the Belgians stamped in the upper right hand corner. Among the Harrisburg folks who get a great deal of correspondence from abroad is S. E. Allison. Incidentally he is a collector of stamps and watches closely the outpourings of foreign stamps that get in here. Herefore the letters from Belgium were simply stamped and addressed like any other foreign letter. Since the broad ribbon of the army of the Hohenzollerns has begun to slowly wind itself around the tiny country that has unintentionally become the cock-pit of Europe, every Belgian invokes that tiny three word prayer for the fatherland.