

# FRENCH LOSS HEAVY IN FIGHT WITH GERMANS

Invaders Strongly Entrenched And Their Artillery Plays Havoc With Charging Lines.

## TEUTONS IS FINALLY ROUTED

Soldiers of Republic Rally to Sound of Marseillaise and Put Enemy to Flight.

London, Aug. 18.—A Reuter dispatch from Brussels says: "The seat of government has been moved to Antwerp. Measures have been taken for the defense of Brussels because of the approach of German cavalry."

London, Aug. 17.—A Brussels dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company says the French casualties in the fighting between Namur and Dinant were heavy, as the Germans were strongly entrenched and their artillery at the outset played great havoc with the French.

The French wing at Dinant had been badly cut up and nearly routed, when suddenly the strains of the "Marseillaise" resounded in the French lines and the men rallied. With splendid gallantry they charged, hurling themselves on the German troops, breaking through their lines and putting them to flight.

**FOUR AUSTRIAN SHIPS SUNK.**  
Rome (via London), Aug. 18.—Confirmation of the naval fight in the Adriatic sea is given in a dispatch from Cetinje, to the Corriere d'Italia yesterday, which says that the Austrian battleship Zrinyi and three other ships whose names could not be ascertained were sunk by the French fleet. A great number of French and English warships are said to be patrolling the coast.

Paris, Aug. 18.—The ministry of marine announced yesterday that a French fleet under Admiral De La Peyrere had sunk an Austrian cruiser which was blockading the Montenegrin port of Antivari.

**TRY TO DESTROY WIRELESS.**  
Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 18.—A dispatch from Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., to the Canadian militia department states that an attempt to destroy the wireless station there was made early yesterday. Sentries fired on and pursued the men who made the attempt.

A dispatch received here yesterday from the British war department at London announced that all soldiers who were in a state of desertion on Aug. 5 will receive pardons, provided they surrender themselves in the United Kingdom before Sept. 4, or at any station where there are regular forces, before October 4.

### Neighborhood Notes.

#### Flugstad.

Eli Jensen was a business caller at Webster City Tuesday.

Mrs. M. A. Harris of Duncombe visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Hahne, Tuesday.

The L. O. Moline house will be completed this week.

Geo. Lemon Jr. and D. W. Kennedy have finished their respective threshing runs.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bennett and children visited Sunday with friends near Clarion.

James Porter arrived here Sunday from Moroa, Illinois, for an extended visit with friends.

Several from here attended the World's fair celebration at Duncombe Saturday.

Frank Lemon was a business caller at Webster City Saturday.

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#### Pleasant Hill.

Mr. Van Deventer finished shock threshing in this neighborhood Saturday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Adams entertained Dr. Conrad and Mrs. Mabel Adams of Webster City and I. Kemmerer and family of this place at Sunday dinner.

Mrs. Ralph Segar and little daughter from near Kamrar spent

Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. Berryhill and family.

Miss Ortha Meyers of Woolstock spent a few days the past week at the E. E. Claffin home.

Frank McConnell, who has been ill the past few days, is improving.

Frank Gilmore and family of South Dakota visited his brother Oscar and family one day last week.

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#### Fremont.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson and sons, Raymond and Arthur, visited cousins in Eagle Grove last week.

Miss Belle Simonson has resigned her position at the Boston store in Fort Dodge and will remain at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Biernatzki and daughter of Webster City visited at the Schropfer home Sunday.

Messrs. Arthur and Olaf Christoferson attended the Chautauqua at Fort Dodge, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Simon Jr. and daughter Roberta spent Sunday with Mr. S's parents.

Mr. Matt Nellis and sister Elizabeth of Duncombe spent Sunday with friends and relatives.

Miss Ethel VanSchoyk has returned to her work at Waterloo after a week's visit with her mother.

Mrs. L. Webb and daughters of Waterloo visited the past week at the Frank Webb home.

George Yungclas of Webster City is doing carpenter work at the Stark farm, this week.

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### Social Affairs

#### BRIDGE-LUNCHEON.

Mrs. Louis Frank and visiting daughter, Mrs. H. G. Higbee of Dubuque, have issued invitations for a bridge luncheon to be given Wednesday afternoon at the Outing club.

#### A PLEASANT EVENING.

The members of the Pansy club enjoyed a very pleasant time last evening at the home of Mrs. Charles Tackett. The hours were spent socially, over sewing, and a delicious two course lunch was served.

#### SWEET-PEA LUNCHEON.

Mrs. A. P. Woolston entertained a company of guests at one o'clock luncheon, Saturday, invitations having been issued to twenty-five ladies. Table and house decorations were of sweet peas and ferns, the table beautified with a large bouquet of these as a center-piece. Heart shaped place cards in sepia aided in decoration.

A delectable four-course luncheon was served and the afternoon hours spent with auction bridge, Mrs. V. C. Crosley was the winner of the prize, a large bouquet of coral colored sweet peas.

Mrs. E. J. West of State Center was the out of town guest present.

#### A DELIGHTFUL AFFAIR.

A large company of ladies was delightfully entertained Saturday afternoon at the A. M. Potter home on the north side, with Mrs. Potter and her mother, Mrs. David Beach as hostesses, and Mrs. B. S. Beach and daughter, Miss Julia, of Des Moines, as guests of honor.

Some sixty ladies gathered at the home at four o'clock and with social conversation and general visiting the time quickly passed away. At six o'clock a bountiful dinner, was served in two courses. Mrs. Potter was ably assisted in serving by Mrs. W. J. Zitterell and several other guests who are to be commended for the expeditious serving of such a large company.

Large bouquets of golden glow placed here and there in the spacious reception rooms were the only decorations.

The company was largely composed of mothers and daughters, many of them old neighbors of the B. S. Beach family, who certainly enjoyed this reunion. One seldom sees in a company of this kind, so many ladies of advanced years, and it was a pleasure to all to behold them apparently renew their youth, and enter as heartily into the pleasures of the occasion as did those of a later generation.

Besides the guests of honor, the following were ladies from out of town: Mrs. Kate Lasher, New York City; Miss Emma Ryan, Bath, Maine; Mrs. R. E. Towle, Newtonville, Mass.; Mrs. R. W. Fullerton, Boise, Idaho; Mrs. F. H. Alexander, Kamrar.

The Christian ladies aid society will meet in the lecture room of the church for an all day meeting—for work. Come and each one bring something and a picnic dinner will be served at noon.

# THE GERMAN CAVALRY NEAR- ING BRUSSELS

With Seat of Government at Antwerp, Plans Are Made to Defend Capital.

## A NEW VICTORY IS REPORTED.

War Office Confirms Repulse of German Attack by Belgians and French.

London, Aug. 18, 3:30 a. m.—A Brussels dispatch to the Daily Mail says: "Sharp fighting has been in progress since Monday morning."

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"It is expected that the legations will follow the government to Antwerp, but the French minister will remain here, sending the counselor to Antwerp to keep in touch with the Belgian government."

**GERMAN ATTACK REPULSED.**  
"The Solr says that according to news which arrived Monday afternoon, and which is confirmed by the war office, the Belgian infantry, in conjunction with the French cavalry, have brilliantly repulsed a German attack. The location of the engagement is not mentioned."

"In a review of the military situation the Temps points out that the French troops cannot debouch on the plain by the valley of the Bruche, which is barred by the fortress at Moolsheim, in Alsace, twelve miles southwest of Strassburg, but says it has been necessary to occupy the valley, as otherwise, it might be utilized by the Germans."

**MASSING FORCES.**  
"The Temps suggests that the fact that heavy artillery has been found in that region may be construed as indicating that the Germans are massing troops behind the Rhine, preparing to force the passes of the Vosges mountains."

"The left wing of the Belgian army, assembled in force to cover Brussels, has advanced from Louvain to Beyard, in the direction of Diest."

"The delay in the German attack at this point is attributed to the severe losses inflicted by the Belgians. There is no doubt also that the reluctance of Austria to send her promised quota of troops, in consequence of Italy's attitude, and the incipient anti-war movement in Germany, have wrecked the German plans and delayed the advance of the German emperor's troops."

#### JAP ACTION LIMITED.

London, Aug. 18.—The following statement was issued last night by the British official press bureau:

"Any action Japan takes against Germany will not extend beyond the China seas, except in so far as may be necessary to protect Japanese shipping lines."

### Personal Briefs

—Mrs. F. D. Riley, who has been spending the past three months in Montana and in Prosser, Wash., returned home this week. While in Prosser, she visited her sister, Mrs. R. H. Bone and family, former residents of this county, who are well and prospering.

—Clayton Clapper, a member of the White Sox base ball team, left yesterday for his home in Washington, Iowa, where he will visit several weeks before going to his school teaching duties in Hope, North Dakota.

—Frank Richards, who has been playing with the White Sox base ball team this season, left here yesterday afternoon for his home in State Center where he will spend a couple of weeks visiting. He will then return here for a two days visit with friends before going to Spencer where he expects to teach physical training in the high school during the coming school year.

—J. E. Williams of Jewell was in this city on business yesterday.

—Isaac Leighton returned to his home in Neosha, Missouri, yesterday following a two weeks visit with the George Jewett family. Miss Clara Leighton of Neosha is a guest at the Jewett home for a several weeks visit.

—Joseph Harrison, his son, Chris, daughter, Miss Mary, and grandson, Mason Shepherd, made an overland trip to this city from their home in Humboldt Sunday and spent the day visiting the William Harrison family on west Third street. Mr. Harrison called upon many old time friends here, having been a resident of this city 32 years ago. He expects to celebrate his ninetieth birthday anniversary in October.

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# TOMORROW BEGINNING ON WEDNESDAY--8:15 o'clock

Metcalf's doors will be closed until 8:15 o'clock tomorrow, Wednesday Morning. Promptly at this hour will start the greatest price reductions this season on all Ready-to-Wear apparel.—New Fall and Winter Goods demand our immediate attention, besides everyone knows that our decks must be absolutely clean. We do not intend to go into elaborate descriptions or details of this sale, but will tell you in few frank words exactly what you may expect for the next few days. Of course, first come—best selections.

- 20 Last Season's 1913 stock of Women's Winter Coats
- 17 New this Season 1914 stock of Children's Spring Coats
- 3 New this Season 1914 stock of Women's Tailored Suits
- 55 New this Season 1914 stock of Women's Lingerie Dresses
- 4 New this Season 1914 stock of Women's Silk Dresses
- 18 New this Season 1914 stock of Women's Wool Dresses
- 9 New this Season 1914 stock of Women's Party Dresses
- 54 New this Season 1914 stock of Women's Tub Tailored Skirts
- 108 New this Season 1914 stock of Women's Shirt Waists
- 6 New this Season 1914 stock of Linen Auto Coats

- All above values that sold up to \$4.25, choice \$1.00
- All above values that sold at \$4.50 to 5.50, choice 2.00
- All above values that sold at \$5.95 to 7.50, choice 3.00
- All above values that sold at \$8 to 10.95, choice 4.00
- All above values that sold at \$11.50 to \$15, choice 5.00
- All above values that sold at \$15.95 to \$20, choice 6.00
- All above values that sold at \$22.50 to \$27.50, choice \$7

Many of the above Dress Style are the long tunic effects—the latest and authoritative styles for fall and winter.

We call your special attention to the many Special Values now offered in our Basement at 5c 10c, 15c 25c

New Fall and Winter Dress Goods direct from the famous Broadhead Mills now on display. Other new goods now in transit. It always pays to trade at

**METCALF'S**  
DEPARTMENT STORE  
WEBSTER CITY'S GREATEST STORE

stay at that summer resort.

—Mrs. J. S. Sands of Merrill, who spent Sunday here with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Hoag returned to Stratford this morning where she is visiting friends. It will be remembered that Mr. Sands was depot agent at Stratford for seventeen years, being transferred to Merrill last spring.

—Mrs. D. J. Kahl with her two little sons came from Woolstock this morning to visit her sister Mrs. August Zahn, and join her and others on a picnic excursion to the woods near Millard's bridge.

—W. J. Zitterell was a passenger to Des Moines this morning, where he will attend a meeting of the directors of the Master Builders' Association of this state.

—Miss Luella Reiners returned home to Ogden today following a short visit at the home of her aunt, Mrs. E. E. Emple.

—Miss Rosa Rodine went home to Stratford today after a brief sojourn at the J. L. Peterson home.

—County Attorney O. J. Henderson went to Nevada today on a professional business.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hoffman and son from south of Blairsgrove left last night for Harrisburg, Penn., for a visit with Mr. H's parents.

—Mrs. J. H. Birdsall expects her trimmer, Miss Zola Moore to arrive today from Greeley, Col., to begin work for the fall and winter season.

—Mrs. R. O. Miracle of Minneapolis arrived today for a brief visit at the home of Elston F. King.

—Miss Mayme Baxter arrived home today from a visit with relatives at Cedar Falls, Waterloo, Charles City, and Marshalltown.

Mrs. W. T. Baxter and son Harold joined her at Marshalltown last Wednesday, and returned with her today.

—Misses Otilie and Martha Gelfort of Portland, Oregon, who have spent a few days at the Wm. Blankenbuehler home, left yesterday for their home in the west.

—J. B. Hughes left last night for Chicago on a fall goods buying trip for the Mercantile store.

—Miss Mary Donovan of Eagle Grove is visiting at the W. R. Donovan home.

—Misses Mildred Courtwright and Juanita Downer of Duncombe spent the morning in this city taking their music lessons.

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—Mrs. H. F. Simmerman and children, who have been spending some time visiting the Charles Richardson family on the east side, left today for their home in Omaha.

—Mrs. Mary Harris returned to her home in Duncombe today after a visit with her mother, Mrs. D. Cooter, who resides on west Division street.

—Mrs. G. L. Kuebler and two little daughters left today for Rockwell City, expecting to spend a week visiting Mrs. Kuebler's mother.

—Mrs. Enoch Olson is spending the day in Fort Dodge.

—Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hughes and children left today for their home in Winona, Washington, following an extended visit with Mr. Hughes' father, T. M. Hughes and wife, and his brothers, Meade and Harry Hughes and families.

—Miss Mae Mentzer returned to her home in Eagle Grove yesterday after a short visit with Miss Mary-belle Omted.

—Mrs. O. A. Wahl and little son returned yesterday from a few days visit with relatives in Luverne, Ia.

—Mr. and Mrs. Warren Dyon of Chicago are spending a couple of weeks at the Mrs. C. E. Green home on Willson avenue.

### RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

#### ILLINOIS CENTRAL.

##### Going East.

No. 36, Ft. Dodge to Waterloo Express.....	7:33 a. m.
No. 16, Sioux City to Chicago Express.....	12:07 p. m.
No. 14, Omaha to Chicago Express.....	3:08 p. m.
No. 12, Omaha & Sioux City to Chicago Limited.....	10:12 p. m.
Going West.	
No. 11, Chicago to Omaha & Sioux City, Limited.....	2:52 a. m.
No. 13, Chicago to Omaha Express.....	10:09 a. m.
No. 15, Chicago to Sioux City, Fast Mail.....	11:23 a. m.
No. 35, Chicago to Fort Dodge Express.....	7:05 p. m.
CHICAGO & NORTHWESTERN.	
Going North and West.	
No. 12, Des Moines Pass.....	8:05 a. m.
No. 4, Chicago Express.....	3:55 p. m.
No. 24, Ia. & Dak. Ex.....	10:10 p. m.
No. 30, Way Freight.....	10:00 a. m.
Going South and West.	
No. 25, Ia. & Dak. Ex.....	7:05 a. m.
No. 3, Ia. & Dak. Pass.....	11:20 a. m.
No. 13, Eagle Grove Pass.....	8:50 p. m.
No. 13, Way Freight.....	2:59 p. m.