

# ENGLISH War Censors Claim Great VICTORY! Border Battle Lines 250 Miles Long

**JOSH WISE SAYS:**



"Soy Bean, our village cut-up, has been noticed lately studyin' a map of th' Amazon. It's suspected he has an ambition ter become a Brazil nut."

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Never mind that umbrella. Salisbury says it isn't going to rain. Fair weather tonight and Saturday is his hunch.

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### LOSSES ENORMOUS IN THIRD DAY'S FIGHTING; BRUSSELS IN DANGER

ANTWERP, Aug. 14.—Unavailing efforts were made today to get an estimate of the number killed and wounded on both sides in the huge battle, now in its third day, all along the line, 250 miles from the Dutch frontier, through Belgium and Luxemburg and the length of the Franco-German boundary to the Swiss border.

Between three and four million men are in service in the actual fighting zone. In a large sense the whole affair is one gigantic engagement. In another sense, it is a series of separate fights.

Concerning some of these, many details were known; of others only the baldest statements had been received. Doubtless there have been many which have not been reported at all.

Wires, too, were down in every direction. The censorship is rigid. Neither side is willing to admit the real extent of its actual losses.

That thousands have been killed and a still larger number of thousands wounded, was certain.

### "THE HUMAN SLAUGHTER HOUSE"—NO. 3

A wave of horror spread over the European continent when this book, "The Human Slaughter House," was published. One hundred thousand copies were sold in three months! In it the author, Wilhelm Lamazus, a German high school teacher, paints a horrifying word picture of death on the battlefield with modern machine guns and war appliances. Men go out to fight—"KACHINZ!"—accord-

ing to the author. When brought to the attention of the German kaiser the book was suppressed and the author, practically a government official, was "relieved of duty." In a curious fashion the moving figures of men on European battlefields today is graphically described in this story, the rights to which have been purchased by The Star.

By Wilhelm Lamazus  
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CHAPTER III.

I am lying in bed, and counting a hundred slowly. It must be close on midnight now, and I am still unable to get to sleep.

The room resounds to the noise of snoring. They are lying to the right and to the left of me, and if I turn over on my back, I am staring up at the wooden planking of a bed. For the cots extend all along the wall from door to window, one above the other, and in every cot a soldier is lying asleep.

Now and again one or other tosses about, and rolls heavily over to the other side.

Further away, near the window, some one is mumbling in his sleep. Suddenly he shouts out aloud: "And that wasn't me. I ain't touched a bit of the wire. D'you take me for a thief?"

It sounds exactly as if he were wide-awake. I am on the point of speaking to him. Then all is silence again, and I lie listening intently for what is going to happen next. But he keeps quiet, and goes on dreaming. He is still in the midst

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### What I think about it

BEING JUST ONE MAN'S OPINION  
By The Spectator

Some day I'm going to start out on a real vacation. I'm going to forget that I ever have got to go back to regular work. I'm going to let come what may, and I shall enjoy that kind of vacation.

Ralph Wiener is the man I'm most envious of as I write these lines. And Ralph isn't very well. The doctor said a southern climate would be better for him. So Ralph, who was a waiter in a Scranton, Pa., restaurant, and Nettie, his wife, decided they'd go to Jacksonville, Fla., more than a thousand miles away.

They began the hike without a penny. They reckoned that the novelty of their undertaking would bring them a chance in each city to earn their food, while a blanket and the open sky were all the hotel they would need. And that's how it has turned out thus far with one-third of the journey covered.

Though the couple are young, this journey isn't their honeymoon—they've been married a number of years. But it will likely be more interesting than a honeymoon and more helpful in making good comrades. For ten weeks' camping together, unretted by usual cares, are enough to cement a comradeship for life.

Some day I'm going to try it myself. The poorest of the poor ain't barred from such a vacation.

As nearly as could be learned, the German front extended from the vicinity of Hasselt, in Northeastern Belgium, through London, Ramfilles, and thence back to the southeast through Huy, and along the River Ourthe to the Luxemburg frontier, southward from there to Longwy, France, and thence again to the Swiss frontier.

This does not mean, however, that the kaiser's troops controlled all the country to the eastward of this line. The Liege forts are still resisting and there are various places where Belgian cavalry, operating to the line's rear, had the Germans cut off from communication with their own base.

### Brussels Given Blood Baptism; City a Hospital

BRUSSELS, Aug. 14.—This city, the capital of Belgium, is getting its baptism of blood today. Hundreds of wounded, friend and foe alike, are streaming in from the battlefields to the eastward. Hospitals were quickly swamped. Public buildings next were utilized, then private homes were thrown open to the sufferers.

Wounded men are laid side by side, in rows, in the city hall, postoffice, churches and schools. They await their turn as the surgeons, all too few of them, toil wearily with knife and saw. They die, some of them, while they wait, and are quickly moved out to make room for the living.

The people are living in daily fear that the Germans are going to attack the city. A shock was caused today by the news that the kaiser's cavalry had forced its way to Louvane, less than 20 miles away. It later was reported that the Belgians, under personal command of King Albert, had driven them back after a sharp engagement.

Of three German aviators who soared over the Belgian lines Thursday, two were killed, while the third was wounded and captured.

### AMERICANS QUIT BERLIN FOR HOLLAND

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—A dispatch from Ambassador Girard at Berlin via Copenhagen was received today at the state department. It left Copenhagen at 3:15 p. m. yesterday.

Americans in Germany, the dispatch said, were being sent to Holland on special trains.

A thief entered two rooms in the Madrona hotel Thursday night, Guss Ross lost \$120 and J. Carlson is minus \$30.

### FIRST WAR PICTURE FROM BERLIN

Kaiser's Palace Surrounded by Cheering Thousands on the Day War Was Declared



### In Fairness to Germany

MAY it not be that those of us who have leaped to the impression that all the fault for the war belonged to Germany have been too quick on the trigger?

The United States is peopled with Germans. They form nearly a fifth of our composite nation. The Germans here are patient, kindly, peace-loving, dependable. They're not quarrelsome or hard to get along with. Quite the contrary.

The Germans back in the fatherland are like them. We oughtn't to believe that they rushed into a great war without provocation or without manly effort first to find a way of honorable escape.

Let's be fair to the great German race, so competent in industry, science and letters—fair enough to remember that almost all of the first news of the war has come from unfriendly sources and therefore should be accepted with reserve till all the returns are in; fair enough to withhold judgment till we have heard Germany's side.

It is true that most of us are opposed to kingly rule. Well, we don't have to have it.

But stand the kings of Europe up in a row and who among them shows a better record for ability, breadth of vision and devotion to peaceful progress than the kaiser? He has been on the throne for 26 years, every minute with the war power in his hand, and this is his first war. The period of his reign has marked Germany's greatest, steadiest advance—so great the world has marveled at it.

What other king can show a record half so good? Guess if we had a president with such a record behind him we'd cheer for him, too.

Furthermore, from what we know of Germans here, it ought to be a safe bet that if the kaiser didn't suit the Germans at home they wouldn't, to a man, be standing alongside him.

As a neutral nation, recruited from very nation on earth, we don't have to be partisans in this war and it would be becoming if we kept clear of snap judgments.

A free field and a fair fight, with no remarks along the side lines, we guess about expresses the proper policy for Uncle Sam.

### SUGAR PRICE TAKES 'NOTHER HOP

Sugar took another jump today and the price is 75 cents more than yesterday on 100 pounds. The price quoted today is \$7.75. Local dealers declare they are guided solely by the New York price, which is based on a world-wide shortage expected to result from the European war. In San Francisco it went up to \$7.50 at noon today.

### VANCOUVER IS WORRIED BY GERMAN SHIPS

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 14.—A dispatch from San Francisco that the German cruisers Lelpic and Nuremburg have left the vicinity of that city and are steaming up the coast, apparently in pursuit of the British sloop of war Algerine, which is heading for Vancouver or Victoria, is causing discussion here today.

It is believed the Lelpic is doomed to disappointment, because the Algerine is expected hourly in Esquimalt, where she will join the Rainbow and Shearwater.

Harbor is Mined. Fears are expressed here that the Lelpic may get by Victoria in the night and start something in Vancouver. This would be impossible in the daytime.

The harbor line from Esquimalt to Victoria is heavily mined and well fortified.

During the last few days, more guns have arrived at Vancouver, and have been placed in commanding positions. The British admiralty today ordered the Blue Enamel steamship Proteuslaus to Union Bay for coal.

Rainbow to Guard Her. It is likely she will be conveyed by the Rainbow, because it is now known the German ships have coiled at the last place possible before leaving for home waters, and the Proteuslaus would be a rich prize for the Germans.

The C. P. R.'s midget liner, the Empress of India, is due in this afternoon with a million-dollar silk cargo.

### U. S. Is Neutral

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—President Wilson here today officially proclaimed the United States' neutrality in the war between England and Austria.

### JULIUS HAD THE DOPE

BY C. J. CAESAR  
BRUSSELS, Aug. 14.—(B. C. 58.)—(Delayed in transmission.)—Horum omnium fortissimi sunt Belgae. Proximaque sunt Germania, qui trans Rhenum incolunt. Editor's Note.—Translated from the Latin the language of the late Mr. Caesar reads as follows: "Of all these, the Belgians are bravest. The nearest to them are the Germans, who live across the Rhine."

### GERMANS ARE SMASHED BY CAVALRYMEN

By ED L. KEEN  
LONDON, Aug. 14.—Overwhelming successes by the allies against the Germans in Belgium were announced today by the official British military press bureau.

"Wednesday," said the account, "six regiments of German cavalry, supported by 2,500 infantry and a heavy detachment of artillery with machine guns, moved eastward against the Belgians, operations being directed toward the Belgian field at Louvaine.

"Belgian cavalry similarly supported by infantry and artillery, opposed this advance. A fight ensued, lasting all day and covering 15 miles. War scouts and aviators apprised the Belgians of the enemy's approach.

"The Belgian defense was well maintained. The enemy was completely disorganized and his cavalry badly cut up.

"After shelling the approaching German column, the Belgians charged. The German cavalry withdrew, and the infantry and artillery were routed."

### GENERAL DIES BY OWN HAND, SAYS REPORT

BRUSSELS, Aug. 14.—The German cavalry had renewed its attempts at raids upon scores of Belgian points, but the war office asserted that all had failed, aviators giving warning of them in advance.

According to the war office, German casualties at Haelen, Tiermont, Noville-Taxors and Eschore exceeded 10,000, besides 5,000 captured.

Sacrifice Thousands. The German commanders, it was declared, were ignoring the human equation, sacrificing their men apparently with indifference for the sake of the slightest advantage.

In view of the Germans' enormous numbers, it was recognized that it would be only a question of time before the Belgian resistance would be crushed.

Expect Allies to Act. This was the point, however, where the French and British allies are expected to take a hand.

The position of the allies' main force was kept a secret, but, said the war office, "it will excellently account for itself," adding that Brussels was not safe.

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