

You've Got to Read The Star to Keep Posted on the War!

THE big news of the war invariably will be printed first in the evening (daylight) newspapers in Seattle.

The reason for this is simply a matter of geography. The centers of Europe, from which the news is coming, and will come, are from six to nine hours earlier in starting their daylight activities than we in Seattle.

While morning papers are editing the war news, Europe is sleeping. When the evening (daylight) newspapers are starting their day here it is mid-day in London and Berlin.

Every important and tragic move of the war countries printed since the war cloud loomed over the European horizon has been printed FIRST in the evening papers.

THERE is but ONE exclusive evening newspaper telegraph service in the country today and that is the UNITED PRESS, which furnishes the spot news happenings to a greater number of papers than is served by its older and largest contemporary, which was established originally to serve morning papers.

The Star receives the leased wire reports of the UNITED PRESS.

The concentration of the UNITED PRESS in gathering

news exclusively for evening papers has been a most successful policy, and publishers have been quick to recognize the value of the UNITED PRESS service with its great record of world scoops.

BUT in addition to United Press, The Star is a member of the organization known as the NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSOCIATION, which serves each newspaper on its list with daily features and news photographs.

The NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSOCIATION already has its writers and photographers close up to the scene of the

great disturbance. They will furnish The Star with stirring pictures from the field and with special articles written from battleground and capitals.

The Star published one of these articles Thursday. Miss Mary Boyle O'Reilly told Star readers the FIRST REAL STORY BY AN EYE-WITNESS TO BE PUBLISHED IN SEATTLE of the battle at Liege. Miss O'Reilly is in Brussels, Belgium, this minute, right in the heart of the war zone. There will be further "stories" from her.

Nobody interested in the daily movements on the firing checkerboard of Europe can afford to miss a single issue of The Star.

JOSH WISE SAYS:



"Soy Bean took his accordion to Tobe Smalacre's last Sunday and entertained the girls by rendering Chopin. Mrs. Tobe wasn't of the audience, as she wuz busy rendering 'Iard'."

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WEATHER FORECAST—If the sun can penetrate this smoke, the weather will be fair tonight and tomorrow, says Mr. Salisbury.

ARMIES OF THE NATIONS CLASH IN WAR'S FIRST REAL BATTLE!

"THE HUMAN SLAUGHTERHOUSE"—NO. 4

The First Sight of Death; the Sickening March Through Fields of Dead to Reach the Battlefield; a "Raw" Soldier's First Impressions

A wave of horror spread over the European continent when this book, "The Human Slaughterhouse," was published. One hundred thousand copies were sold in three months! In it the author, Wilhelm Lamszus, a German high school teacher, paints a horrifying word picture of death on the battlefield with modern machine guns and war appliances. How he got to fight—"MACHINES"—according 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 down of men on European battlefields today is graphically described in this story, the rights to which have been purchased by The Star.

By Wilhelm Lamszus

(Master of a large public school in Germany.)

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CHAPTER IV.

We have turned off the main road, and have to march over a field of stubble. A battle was fought here yesterday, for the field is sown with dead bodies. They have picked up the wounded. But as yet they have had no time to bury those who died where they fell.

The first dead man we saw struck us dumb. At first we hardly realized what it meant—this lifeless new uniform spread out there—from the way he was lying you could hardly believe he was really dead. It gave you a prickly feeling on the tongue. It seemed as if you were on maneuvers, and the fellow lying there in a ditch had got a touch of the sun. A rough, soldierly jest, a cheery shout was all that was wanted to raise him to his ramshackle legs.

"Hullo, you! Got a head? Keep a stiff neck!"

But the words froze in our throat, for an icy breath was wafted to us from the dead man, and a chill hand clutched at our terror-stricken hearts.

So that was Death! We knew all about it now. That is what it looks like, and we turned our heads back and shuddered.

But then there came more and more of them. And by this time we have become accustomed to them. Strange! I gaze at these silent faces that seem to laugh at us, at these wounds that seem to mouth at us fantastically, as if they had nothing to do with me.

Sometimes no wounds at all are visible. The bullets have passed through the uniforms somewhere, and have gone clean through the softer parts of the bodies.

They have grown rigid in death in grotesque postures as if Death had been trying to pose figures here.

There are certain schemes of Death that are always recurring.

Hands outstretched—fingers clawing the grass—fallen forward on to the face—that fellow over there lying on his

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What I think about it
BEING JUST ONE MAN'S OPINION
By The Spectator

The water wagon had just left and the street was sprinkled. As things go, this was not a very important incident. But the merest trifle may be the pivot upon which will turn consequences enormous.

The sprinkling wagon has barely turned the next block, when an automobile skidded because its tires were wet, and a woman now lies dead.

LITTLE THING? Who knows when a thing is little? The patience of a spider repeatedly repairing its broken web filled the soul of David Bruce with renewed courage and led to a period of freedom for Scotland.

The fall of an apple led Sir Isaac Newton to discover the law of gravitation.

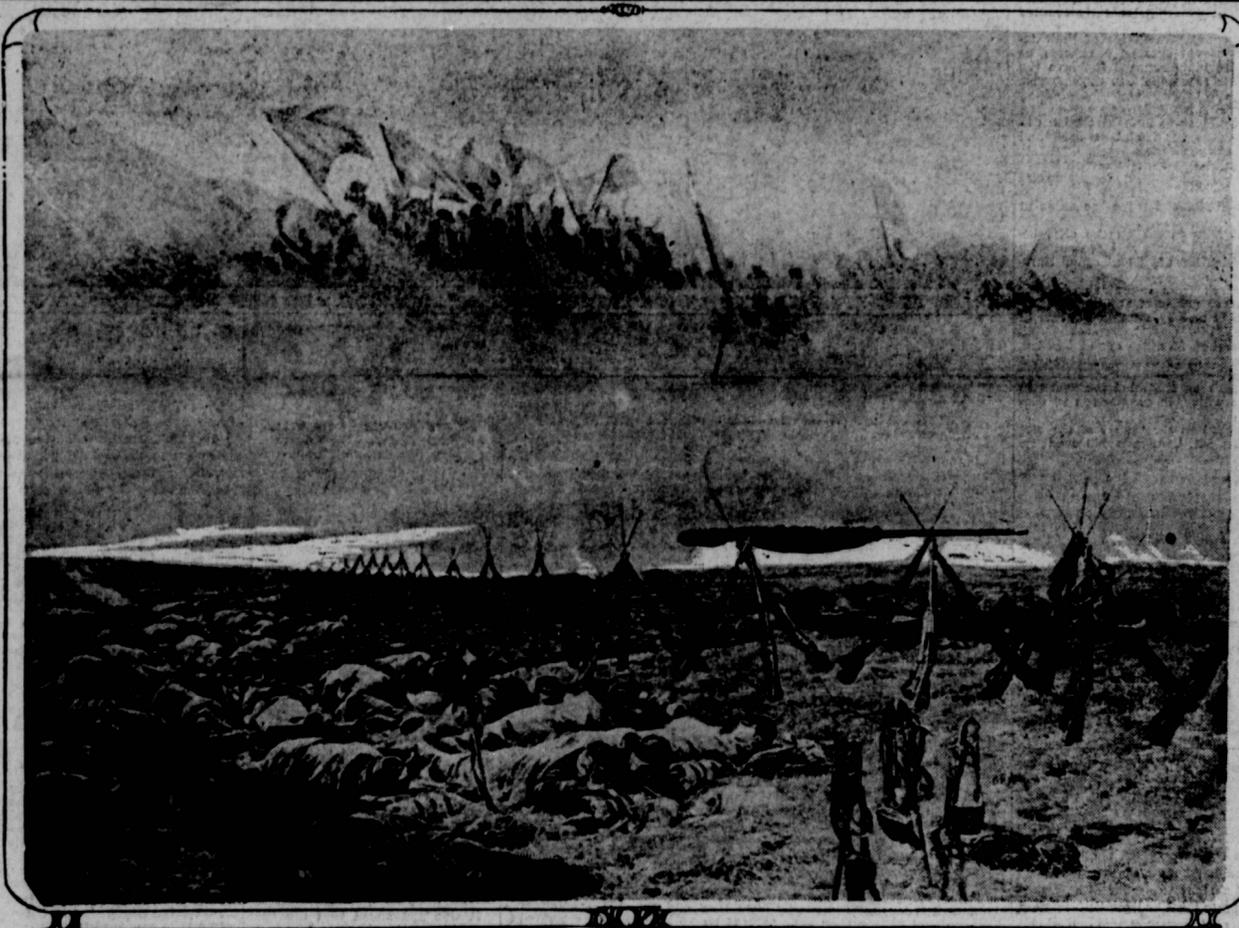
A shock from the angry heavens led to Franklin's discovery of the lightning rod and advanced man's grapple with the mystery of electricity.

A rain on the eve of the battle of Waterloo decided the fate of Europe.

A fanatic's pistol shot in one of the little nations of the Balkans killed the heir of Austria and brought on the greatest conflict of the age.

ARE THERE SUCH THINGS AS TRIFLES?

THE DREAM BEFORE THE BATTLE! Glorious Dash to Victory on the Morrow—A Soldier's Dream When Guns Are Stacked, Flags Furlled and Eyes Closed



Painted by DETAILLE

Sky Dotted With Planes as Guns Roar

BRUSSELS, Aug. 15.—With the coming of daylight this morning, furious cannonading by the invading German army all along the miles of battle front started the long-expected general engagement between the Germans and the allied Belgian, French and English forces, upon which the fate of the German army in Belgium depends.

Growing in fury every hour since dawn, the entire heart of Belgium today is the scene of a shambles not witnessed since the battle of Waterloo in almost the same territory more than a century ago.

The German forces are slowly massing between Tirlemont and Hasselt in such numbers that a battle which must last for several days seems unavoidable.

Sky Dotted With Aviators

The firing started when a reconnoitering party of German cavalry was discovered near Tirlemont and repulsed by a Belgian vanguard, with heavy loss.

The sky is dotted with French and Belgian aviators, who, in some instances, are flying high over the advancing Germans, observing their movements and reporting to the allied armies.

German infantry, in heavy force, began advancing as today's fighting northeast of Brussels progressed, in an effort to envelop the allies' extreme left wing.

Try to Open Antwerp Road

Experts believed the German plan was to pierce their foes' line, doubling its extreme left back upon Antwerp and opening a road between Antwerp and Brussels to the French frontier.

The allies' artillery is proving murderously effective and all German attempts to carry outposts at the point of the bayonet have been repulsed in disorder and with heavy losses.

Gen. Von Buelow, brother of the former imperial chancellor of Germany, Prince Von Buelow, was also said to have been killed while leading an attack on the Liege forts.

Soldiers Go Insane

German deserters, of whom there were many, said the defense of the Liege forts had disheartened the attackers.

Some of them, it was said, had gone insane from sufferings and drowned themselves in the Meuse.

Friday night, the deserters stated, several German regiments hurled against the forts on the stream's left bank were annihilated, the ground before the forts being covered with dead and wounded.

Confirms Story of Gen.'s Suicide

LONDON, Aug. 15.—The London afternoon Star's Brussels correspondent declared in a message to his paper today that he had secured positive confirmation of reports that Gen. Von Emmich, who led the German troops into Belgium, committed suicide.

The correspondent quoted a Belgian sergeant, who said a German officer he captured told him the general left a message to his wife, saying:

"I know Liege is to be my tomb, but I prefer to die by my own hand."

Eight German soldiers, learning that the general had killed himself, also committed suicide.

PRICES JUMP AGAIN HERE; MEAT UP, TOO

The alarming increase in prices of foodstuffs in Seattle, for which the European war is said to be responsible, will be investigated by the Commercial Club.

This matter will come before the club at its meeting Tuesday night. A permanent committee will be appointed to probe the prices.

"There is absolutely no reason for the big advances we have been feeling in Seattle," Secretary Otto Case said today.

Conditions are rapidly becoming worse in Seattle. Another leap of 50 cents in the price of sugar has brought the increase since the war began to \$3.20. There is no relief in sight.

"Privately, I am looking for the price of sugar to raise another dollar before the week has passed," stated a large wholesale grocer to The Star today.

"It is generally predicted that the price will advance from 10 to 12 or possibly 15 cents a pound within the next few days. The outlook is depressing."

Bacon and ham have bounded up two cents per pound, and smoked meats have joined the upward trend.

WATER SHUT-OFF NOTICE

Water will be shut off on Second av. from Madison to Seneca sts. and on Madison st. from First to Second avs., Saturday, August 16, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

PRINCE OF WALES IS REAL SOLDIER

LONDON, Aug. 15.—As a plain sub-lieutenant, the Prince of Wales is doing duty as a soldier in the barracks at Warley.

If his regiment is sent to the front, he will go in this lowly capacity.

The prince is 19 years old and at present is being drilled and marched several hours a day with ordinary youths.

MRS. WERNER TOWED AGAIN

Magdalena Werner, recently acquitted of the murder of her husband, Henry Werner, an Isaquah rancher, who was brutally slain in his barn, will become the wife of Benjamin Miller, of Poulsbo. The license was taken out today. Mrs. Werner's little daughter was with her when she applied for the license.

AMERICA BEATEN

NEW YORK, Aug. 15. America lost its grasp on the Davis tennis cup today when Norman E. Brookes, captain of the Australian team, defeated R. Norris Williams in three straight sets. Australia has won two single matches and the doubles.

A STAR WANT AD will go into over 45,000 homes every night it runs.

Kaiser Appeals to U.S.; Asks Our Sympathy

LONDON, Aug. 15.—Much interest was expressed here today in the war statement issued Friday by Imperial Chancellor Bethmann-Hollweg of Germany, apparently mainly as an appeal to the United States.

The message was given out officially through the German wireless stations and by the Marconi Wireless company to the British press.

"The present war is a life and death struggle," it said in part, "between the German and the Muscovite races of Russia."

The latter country provoked the struggle, it was asserted, and France and England were drawn into it through "an unnatural alliance" with Russia.

Inasmuch as England "stood in the way of the German attack on the northern coast of France," it was declared, "Germany was forced to violate the neutrality of Belgium, but we had promised emphatically to compensate that country for all damage inflicted."

"It is with a heavy heart," the message concluded, "that we see England ranged among our opponents. England has placed herself on the side of Russia, whose instability and whose barbaric insolence have helped this war, the origin of which was murder."

"We expect that the sense of justice of the American people will enable them to comprehend our situation. We invite their opinion as to the one-sided English representations and ask them to examine our point of view in an unprejudiced way."

"The sympathy of the American nation will then lie with German culture and civilization, fighting against a half-Asiatic and slightly cultured barbarism."

The notification was in response to the charge that the Germans were violating the rules of civilized warfare. Belgians, it was charged, have fired from their homes on the German troops, killing many of them.

"If the war thus assumes a brutal character," said the Berlin announcement, "it will not be the fault of the German nation. German arms are fighting Germany's enemies."

EXPECT A WAR DECLARATION FROM JAPAN

PARIS, Aug. 15.—The Petit Journal asserted today that it had learned authoritatively that Japan would declare war on Germany as soon as the mikado who has been staying at Nikko, his summer residence, arrives in Tokio, probably today.

TIENSIN, Aug. 15.—Japanese firms doing business with the German settlement at Tsing Tschau, on the China coast, have notified their agents to leave there at once, it was learned today.

It is believed this is done at the Tokio government's order as a preliminary to a Japanese declaration of war against Germany.

MAN FATALLY HURT BY AUTO

A. Weeding, 302 East 40th st., was struck and probably fatally hurt by an automobile driven by Mrs. C. W. Wharton, at noon today at Whatcom, and Connecticut sts. Weeding was rushed to the city hospital. The woman is being held.

I. Iwase, Japanese, ran down Swan TRAPP at Second and Main at the same time. TRAPP was removed to the city hospital. His injuries are dangerous.