

# THREE NATIONS FACE GERMAN ARMY FOR BATTLE TO DEATH

## FRENCH ACROSS BORDER

(BULL ETIN.)

PARIS, Aug. 10.—France issued a formal declaration of war against Austria-Hungary today.

PARIS, Aug. 10.—After desperate fighting, the French have wrested from the German passes at Bonhomme Sainte Marie, near Mulhausen, in Alsace, according to the French war office. Fighting continued today all along the line. The belief here was that the conflict was the beginning of a general battle which would settle the fate of Alsace.

### CENSORSHIP STRICT

Censorship became extremely strict today, the French war office intimating that important developments were imminent. It is believed they related to the French invasion of Alsace. Reports are current that Gallic troops under General Joffere were moving against the German main line frontier fortifications. Severe fighting is said to have occurred near Colmar, the French overwhelming the Germans in a series of bayonet charges. A battle is reported near Neu Breisach.

### FRENCH HOLD SIX TOWNS

The French held Mulhausen, Colmar, Fernoy, Sainte Marie, Aux Mines and Altkirch. This line is being heavily reinforced against an attack by Austrians. Strassburg and Neu Breisach were centers for German operations.

It is believed the German army of the upper Rhine is advancing against the invaders. French losses thus far are said to have been comparatively small. German losses are said to have been heavy, although no exact figures were given.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—Heavy fighting between French and German troops in Luxembourg is reported. Except for the German advance guard, which entered France near Longwy, but failed to maintain a foothold, Paris advises said the kaiser's forces failed to cross the frontier. Claims of French victories are unconfirmed. German are fortifying strongly at Esche, in the duchy of Luxembourg.

### Possible to Leave Germany

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 10.—The Washington government was in communication today with all its European embassies and legations. "We are making every possible effort to care for the Americans in Europe," said Secretary Bryan. "The department is unable to communicate with Ambassador Gerard at Berlin. Communication was established with him yesterday via Copenhagen. We are informed by Gerard that all Americans will soon be able to leave Germany."

### Olympic Sails on a Secret Mission

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—The steamship Olympic was reported off the New England coast today. She carried no passengers, and was heavily loaded with coal. When the Olympic left New York yesterday her papers indicated she was bound for Liverpool, but it was reported here that Halifax was the vessel's real destination.

### British Liner In Port Safe

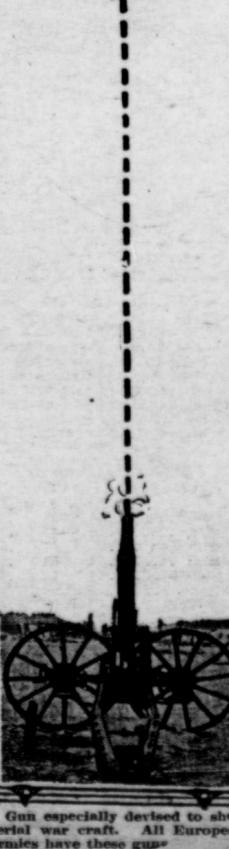
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 10.—Without any sign of a pursuing vessel in her wake, the big Pacific Mail liner Persia, from the Orient and Honolulu, steamed into this port early today under forced draught. The Persia was several days overdue and as she sails under the British flag, fears for her safety had been entertained.

### SWISS SCHOOL NEAR OLYMPIA

A public school has been erected on the Halbert Swiss dairy farms tracts near Olympia, and a new highway has been extended into the colony, according to Hugh T. Halbert of St. Paul, owner of the tract, who stopped in Tacoma last night. Halbert said that he was rapidly communicating with other Swiss who wished to colonize on the remaining 10,000 acres.

**SHOTGUN STOLEN**  
Robbers entered the home of J. C. Buchanan, North 6th and C streets, last night and stole a valuable shotgun. The same shotgun was stolen by burglars a week ago and later recovered by the police.

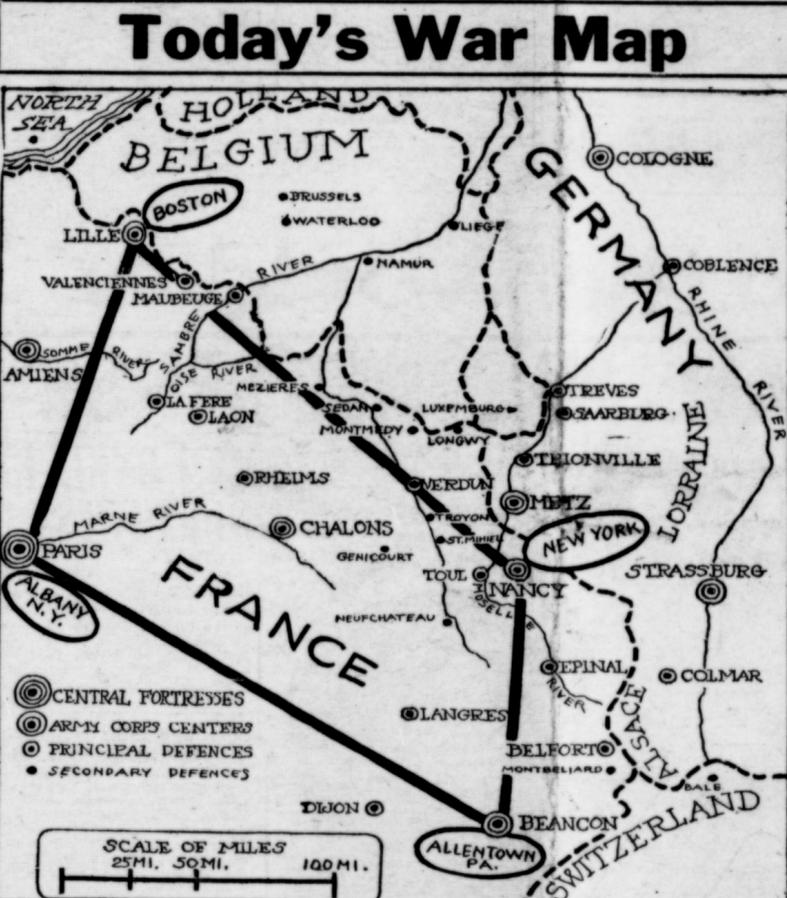
### DEATH TO THE SKY SPY



Gun especially devised to shell aerial war craft. All European armies have these guns.

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Note particularly above the black lines, showing where an eastern section of the United States map has been laid down over western Europe for purposes of comparison. At each corner of the U. S. section is an American city at exactly their proper distances from each other. This will show you the relative distances from each other of western Europe cities. If you will make use of the scale in miles to be found at the bottom of the map you will be able at any time to fix positions of armies and locations of battle. We suggest that our readers cut out the above carefully drawn map and retain it for future reference. Please remember that the scale in miles is for this map and will not work with a map found anywhere else.

### WHEAT PIT SIZZLING; PRICES UP

CHICAGO, Aug. 10.—New high levels were reached in the wheat pit today. During the scramble to buy wheat it jumped up from 3 to 4 cents. September wheat touching 97 3/4, December wheat \$1.03 1/4 and May wheat \$1.11. The bulge did not equal conditions that prevailed at the outset of the war. Today's advance was steady. Corn broke sharply as a result of rains in the corn belt, but rebounded later.

**THE WEATHER**  
For Tacoma: Fair tonight and Tuesday.

### KILL ALL INHABITANTS

LONDON, Aug. 10.—A Brussels dispatch to the Star asserted that three gardeners of Soiron, Belgium, fired on a German detachment. The Germans, enraged, killed every inhabitant in the village.

### War Tax In U. S. Likely

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 10.—Government officials admitted today that a "war tax" was inevitable. It is expected that legislation, including a stamp act, will be enacted soon to raise money to meet the deficit caused by falling off of revenue from imports. The war, it is said, has reduced the import revenue at least 30 per cent.

## The Kaiser As He Is

In all this great world-wide war, only one HUMAN FIGURE stands with shoulders above the powder-ridden clouds of battle. He is William Hohenzollern, a man, and likewise Emperor Wilhelm, sovereign of all the German empire. Just what this man and king is, as a man and as a monarch, will be told in graphic realism in The Times tomorrow. The American journalist, Poultney Bigelow, a personal friend of the kaiser, will tell the story. It will give you a broad understanding of this lone man, Wilhelm, who is the pivot of the bloody war that is engaging eight great nations.

## ARMIES AWAIT SIEGE

### Namur May Be Scene of Greatest Battle In History

LONDON, Aug. 10.—Belgium is expected here to be the scene within a few days of the greatest battle in history. The Belgians' main army is known to be concentrating at Namur. French and British forces are gathering at the same place. Germans must defeat all three of them if they are to reach the French frontier at its most favorable point.

The German troops have been ordered to pay for all purchases in the stores.

The German general issued a proclamation threatening to destroy the city if civilians fired on German soldiers.

Piles of bodies are on the streets awaiting identification. Soldiers of opposing armies are mingling freely on the streets.

### REPULSED BY CAVALRY

BRUSSELS, Aug. 10.—Brussels advices today said that the kaiser's troops were still at Liege, and it is believed that they are waiting for reinforcements and supplies. According to the Paris foreign office, the Germans showed an inclination to advance following the capture of the city of Liege, but were repulsed by the French cavalry. Strictest censorship on news prevailed.

### FORTS STILL HOLD OUT

BRUSSELS, Aug. 10.—Although German troops were in occupation of the city of Liege today, some of the Liege forts were still held by the Belgians. It is expected that a strong German force will settle down to a siege of the defenses. According to the war office, the Belgian garrison of the city retreated to Namur for strategic reasons. General Von Emmich, the German commander, is understood to have established headquarters in the Liege city hall, whence he announced that if Belgian civilians engage further in fighting they would be shot and their homes burned. Most of the residents have fled.

### GERMANS SEIZE FORTS?

BRUSSELS, Aug. 10.—Communication with Liege from here was interrupted today. Despite the war office's assertion, there were rumors that some of the forts had fallen into German hands. The position of the main Belgian army is not revealed. Germans are thick in the country south of the Dutch province of Limburg, and fighting has been reported at Geer valley, north of Liege.

Their cavalry is reported active about Huy and Dinant. Dinant is beyond Namur, where the next battle is expected. It is believed that this cavalry is only a small scouting body which has presumably slipped through the Belgian lines.

### 30,000 AUSTRIANS TO AID

PARIS, Aug. 10.—The 14th Austrian army corps, 30,000 strong, under the grand duke of Tuscany, arrived at Basel, Switzerland today from Tyrol to help the Germans, according to war office advices. Although no definite statement was made in the message, it is clear that this involved a violation of the Swiss neutrality. French cavalry patrols are regaining control of Elsel.

### MONTENEGRO BEATS AUSTRIANS

ROME, Aug. 10.—Montenegro soldiers today defeated the Austrians, who had previously driven them from Scutari, Albania, and occupied the town, according to messages from Cetinje. It is said the Montenegrins lost 200 killed and wounded.

### RUSHING TO AID OF GERMANS

ROME, Aug. 10.—Believed to be hurrying to the rescue of the German cruisers Goeben and Breslau, an Austrian fleet of 13 battleships and 16 torpedo boats is reported steaming full speed to the Strait of Otranto, which connects the Adriatic with the Ionian sea. The cruisers escaped the clutches of the British Saturday, it is said, and are waiting for help in that vicinity.

### Prince of Wales Shows UptoWork

LONDON, Aug. 10.—The Prince of Wales arrived by automobile today at the headquarters of the Grenadier Guards and reported to the colonel for duty. He bears a lieutenant's commission.

### WALLACE SNUBBED BY COTTERILL

George F. Cotterill, Seattle senatorial candidate, will not be represented at this evening's banquet arranged by local democrats in honor of Hugh C. Wallace, declaring that Wallace holds no position in the democratic party.

### DO THE STARS TELL IT?

Did the stars which twinkled on Jan. 7, 1859, when Emperor William was born, foretell his downfall? In a horoscope published three years ago, drawn by Larinow, famous astrologer, his downfall was predicted for this year. A conjunction of Saturn and Mars in Taurus furnished the basis of the astrological forecast.

### THE WAR SITUATION TODAY

Official announcement is made that Liege is taken by the Germans, but the Belgians still occupy the forts.

Russian troops have penetrated into Austria-Galicia, in the valley of the River Stry.

Dispatch from Ancona, Italy, says a battleship afloat has been sighted drifting toward Pola, a naval port of Austria, in the Adriatic.

The French have entered Kolmar, 40 miles southwest of Strassburg in Alsace-Lorraine.

Late Sunday Germany sends new and threatening message to Belgium.

Cavalry engagements between the French and Germans reported.

Americans flock to Italy to get out of the war zone.

German cavalry moves toward Namur, strongly fortified Belgian town.

German minister leaves Nish, Serbia.

Strong Austrian fleet sighted off Pola, in the Adriatic.

Forty thousand Austrian troops concentrate near Basel, and French troops are stationed on Swiss frontier, says Bern report.

Big battle expected any moment.

Many refugees from Europe reach America.

Large Turkish forces concentrate in Bulgarian territory near Ferekik.

White Star liner Olympia suddenly leaves New York without passengers or mail. She is to be converted into a cruiser, it is reported.

Fifty-three thousand civilian laborers throw up entrenchments around Liege.

Bulgarian minister at St. Petersburg resigns to serve in Russian army. He was commander-in-chief of the Bulgarian war against Turkey.

Emperor William of Germany leaves for Alsatian frontier.

French troops enter Northern Togoland, German colony on west coast of Africa. Great Britain seized the southern portion Saturday.

French, Belgian and British troops effect a junction across the lines of the German advance in Belgium.

More Germans concentrating beyond range of fire from Liege forts.

German foreign office notifies American ambassador that all German ports have been mined. The ambassador also said the English channel has been mined, but by whom he did not say.

E. Premier Joseph Caillaux of France, whose wife killed Gaston Calmette, editor of the Figaro, and is attached to the treasury department as inspector of finance.

All wireless stations in France and Algeria have been suppressed by the government except for military messages.

1,000,000 BAGS OF FLOUR—OTTAWA, Aug. 10.—A million bags of flour were donated to England today by Canada. The Canadian parliament, it was announced, will be asked to vote \$3,000,000 for the purchase of more flour this week.