

EUROPEAN WAR BEGINS; GERMANY INVADES FRANCE; RUSSIA DESCENDS ON GERMANY; ENGLAND IS WAITING

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Deputies in Uniform.

The lobby of the chamber of deputies was crowded today with members, many in uniform, all eagerly discussing the crisis. All agreed to vote for the measures the government will ask for the defense of the country.

All possible measures have been taken to ensure that Paris will not lack for food.

Severe regulations will be rigorously applied against persons attempting to profit in the present state of affairs by increasing the price of the necessities of life.

Chancellor "Explains."

Luxemburg, Aug. 2.—The German imperial chancellor today telegraphed that German military measures in Luxemburg do not constitute a hostile act against the Grand Duchy, but are simply to protect a railroad connected with the German system against possible attack by French troops.

Labor Protests in Italy.

Milan, Aug. 2.—Socialist, republican, and anarchist in Italy are conducting a campaign to prevent even military preparations in Italy. A meeting of protest has been convoked for tomorrow in which railway and workmen's unions will take part.

Invasion of France.

London, Aug. 2.—German forces today began the invasion of France without, so far as is known, a declaration of war having been made. Two German detachments entered French territory, moving in the direction of Paris.

One German force crossed the French frontier near the village of Cirey, between Nancy and Strassburg, and another German detachment, probably the Twenty-ninth Infantry, last night invaded the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg, neutral territory between Birmingham and Germany, and continued its march on the French frontier town of Longwy.

Germans Are Repulsed.

The German force which came into France near Cirey, which is forty miles from Nancy, is reported to have been repulsed with heavy losses, but this has not yet been confirmed.

Apparently the German army is duplicating the first movement of the Franco-Prussian war. It was on August 2, 1870, forty-four years ago today that the French and Germans clashed in the first battle of that war at Saarbrücken, where the Prince Imperial under the orders of the emperor received his famous "Baptism of Fire."

Quick Action Planned.

The plan of the German emperor, according to military observation here, is to vanquish, or attempt to vanquish France in the interval before Russia can create serious trouble on her northern frontier. It is supposed Russian mobilization will take about a week.

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More Ships Withdrawn.

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Brussels today said it was reported there that Germany had declared war on France and that the French Ambassador Jules Cambon had left the German capital. This report could not be confirmed.

The French embassy today issued the following statement: "French territory has been invaded at Cirey and German troops are marching on the fort at Cirey without a declaration of war. The German ambassador is in Paris."

Germany declared today she was unable to answer the question put by the British ambassador at Berlin as to whether she is prepared to respect the neutrality of Berlin. This appeared in a communication issued by the French embassy.

The neutrality of Belgium has been declared by Great Britain, and she is obliged to protect Belgium for her own safety as Belgium under German rule would be a never-ending menace to England.

English Ships Seized.

According to a dispatch from Copenhagen, the German Baltic fleet was making its way from Kiel to the North Sea.

A dispatch to the Central News says the Germans have taken possession of the English steamer Castro in the Kiel canal and ordered her to Hamburg.

It also is reported that the British steamer Saxon which left King's Lynn, Norfolk, England, last Thursday with a cargo of coal for Brunsbutel-Prussia, has been overtaken by the German navy and diverted to Cuxhaven.

A cablegram today from Gibraltar says a French fleet consisting of twelve vessels passed through the Strait of Gibraltar today bound east.

Russian Invasion Begun.

Berlin, Aug. 2.—Russia has begun the invasion of German territory, Russian forces having crossed the German frontier at Schwinden, southwest of Bialla, while last night a Russian patrol entered Germany near Eichenreid, in Posen.

The Russian column which crossed the frontier at Schwinden was accompanied by artillery.

Two squadrons of Russian caissons are riding in the direction of Johannesburg in east Prussia, fifteen miles from the frontier.

The Russian patrol which entered near Eichenreid attacked the German guard at the railroad bridge over the Warthe.

The attack was repulsed. Two Germans were slightly wounded.

The above information was given out by the imperial staff. The staff at the same time said that the invasion near Schwinden showed that war had actually begun.

A French aviator has been dropping bombs from an aeroplane in the neighborhood of Nuremberg, Bavaria, according to an announcement made by the military authorities. In making this announcement the authorities added that this action was a crime against the rights of man, as there has been no declaration of war.

Steamers Cross Channel.

London, August 2.—Cross channel steamers still are running to England, and today were crowded with passengers, including many Americans.

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Rome, August 1.—The war situation, so far as Italy is concerned was considered more grave today. The newspaper suppressed all news except a colorless official statement which will not mobilize but will conform her conduct to treaty obligations.

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WAR BASED ON THESE FIVE DEMANDS AND ANSWERS

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of the export blockade already threatened American trade on account of the war. British mercantile firms owning steamships which might have been rechartered have cabled them to proceed under instructions to specified points in the British Isles. These vessels probably will be chartered by the British government if England goes to war.

The trans-Atlantic lines would be kept open by British "navies" in the Atlantic. The British government has announced that it will maintain the ships of a long list of British lines, however, are likely to be commandeered by their governments as armed cruisers and transport ships. Official confirmation is lacking of the report that the merchantmen of the French trans-Atlantic line have been drafted into their government's service. Officials of the line have received orders respecting sailings from New York and other ports on this side of the Atlantic they say. La Providence, of the line, alone has been held at Havre.

Railroads have sent orders to stop freight outside the zone of hostilities near the point of shipment as possible. Demurrage charges, which must be fixed by the American Railway Association are expected to be \$2 per car per day.

AMERICANS FORSAKE BAGGAGE

Antwerp, Aug. 2.—American tourists here are in a panicky condition. The Kroonland sailed today with a full complement of passengers, many of whom left their baggage behind rather than remain in Europe. The civic guard has been called out.

ROCKY MOUNT IS ON HEAVY DOOM

One building for every day in the year and 110 per cent increase in population in the past four years is the story of the growth of Rocky Mount as embodied in statistics sent out by the Chamber of Commerce of that town.

The government census estimates Rocky Mount at 18,000, making it eighth city in State. There were 265 buildings erected in Rocky Mount last year. There are now 375,000 worth of buildings and improvements under contract. The city itself is spending \$250,000 on streets, sewerage, gas and other municipal improvements. There is being erected a new high school building at a cost of \$50,000. This is the third school for the white children of the city.

Among the other building activities are \$100,000 new concrete building, \$50,000 warehouse, \$30,000 plant for Garret & Co., and \$20,000 store house for the same firm, \$10,000 tobacco house for Leggett & Myers, \$10,000 tobacco house for American Tobacco Co., Park View Hotel, cost \$40,000. Hotel to cost \$50,000. In addition to this there are numbers of private dwellings, garages, and buildings in the course of erection and contemplated. Thus Rocky Mount continues to grow and prosperity abounds.

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WASHINGTON IS MUCH CONCERNED OVER WAR SUNDAY

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Washington, D. C., Aug. 2.—Although the United States is a neutral observer in the European war, the manifold interests of America in Europe today command the incessant attention of President Wilson and government officials.

Capital offices, usually deserted on Sunday, presented scenes of activity. Wires and cables were kept busy with messages and orders to care for American abroad and to take precautions for establishing financial conditions in the United States.

President Wilson sent Secretary McAdoo to New York to see bankers and plan to keep the currency of the nation stable. The Secretary conferred with several influential bankers about shipping gold to Europe, called together members of the Federal Reserve Board and discussed foreign exchange.

Diplomats revealed by their dispatches that the situation in Europe were becoming increasingly grave.

As Russia, Austria and Germany had asked the United States to cure their diplomatic troubles, the American embassies at St. Petersburg, Berlin and Vienna today were entrusted with new duties. England and France have inquired if the United States would take charge of their interests in Europe in case of emergency, this request likewise has been favorably acted upon.

Far East Is Watched. Nothing definite came to the Washington office of the Government in the far East. This is giving officials much concern. The probability of a conflict between Germany and Russia was discussed.

With reference to the German ultimatum from the allied forces at Peking, complications in China temporarily have been removed. Administration officials are determined neutrality shall be strictly observed in American ports and that no American vessel will be allowed to mediate in the European struggle, at least until the situation develops more clearly.

The feeling of the President is one of desperate hope that the great powers may not engage in general hostilities, but that the world may be in constant touch with the situation.

ASHEVILLE PHYSICIAN SHOT BY YOUNG WOMAN; BOTH CLAIM ACCIDENT

Asheville, Aug. 2.—Dr. G. B. Gardner, a prominent Asheville physician with offices in this city, was shot this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by Miss Mary Davis, formerly employed by the physician as an assistant.

The shooting occurred at the Asheville office of Dr. Gardner, and the injured man was rushed to a hospital, following the affair. Statements by Miss Davis and Dr. Gardner were to the effect that the shooting was accidental.

Miss Davis left the employment of the physician about three months ago, and returned this morning to his office to do some typewriting for him, she told the police. No arrests were made, in view of the statements of the physician and Miss Davis. Dr. Gardner will recover it is thought.

FUNERAL OF MR. R. L. RAND WAS HELD YESTERDAY

Large Number of Sympathizers. Friends Present to Pay Last Tribute of Respect.

The funeral services of the late Mr. R. L. Rand, whose death occurred Friday in Richmond, were conducted here yesterday afternoon at five o'clock at the home of the family. The services were in charge of Rev. J. Edwin Hemphill, assistant pastor of the church.

There was a short scripture reading, prayer by the pastor and after the choir had tenderly rendered two selections, "In the Sweet Bye and Bye," and "Just For Today," the body was carried to beautiful Oakwood where the interment was made.

A large number of floral offerings attested the esteem in which the deceased was held.

The pallbearers were Messrs. James A. Briggs, Sr., R. Crow, W. E. Dewar, Gilbert Crabtree, D. T. Fointexter and J. F. Wray.

GESSESPASSION

Rev. John Hewitt Preaches Practical Sermon at The Church of Good Shepherd

DR. WITHERSPOON STRONG

Texas Minister Preaches at Tabernacle Baptist—Rev. Morrison Betha at Christ Church—Regular Pastors Deliver Splendid Sermons—Congregations Are Larger

There were some strong sermons from the Raleigh pulpits yesterday and the congregations at the morning services were much larger, on an average, than they have been of late, owing to the moderation in the weather. The rains in the evening, however, cut down the night attendance.

Three regular ministers were away and their places were ably filled by substitutes. At the Tabernacle Baptist church Dr. J. B. Witherspoon, of Fort Worth, Tex., preached both morning and night. At the Church of the Good Shepherd, Rev. John Hewitt, formerly of Bellefont, Pa., conducted the morning service. There was no evening service. Rev. Morrison Betha, of Williamson, conducted the service at Christ Church.

RIGHT KIND OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Right living was the theme of the sermon by Rev. John Hewitt, who conducted the service at the Church of the Good Shepherd yesterday morning, and who is acting as pastor during the month's absence of Dr. Pittinger.

The sermon was intensely practical, lucid and convincing. He took as his text St. Matthew's 5:20: "For I say unto you, that except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall not enter into the Kingdom of Heaven."

In part he said: "The master raised the standard of service and obedience. The righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees was obedience to the letter of the law, Christ's standard was the spirit of the law. Under the old standard a man might swear if he didn't take the name of God in vain. Under the new standard a man must not swear at all for 'whatsoever he saith or may cometh of evil.'"

"Under the old standard a man might hate his neighbor if he didn't kill him, but under the new standard his neighbor must be in good will, according to the principles underlying the law of love."

"Righteousness is right-nessness, therefore righteousness of the law is the gate to the Kingdom of God. Righteousness is the Kingdom of God in the King's dome or sphere in which he rules."

"God is short for the Good One. Whoever obeys the good, finds his place in the Kingdom of God. It isn't a place, it is a state. It may have a local habitation, as a thought finds a local habitation in the mind."

"We have to enter the kingdom by experience. The scientific truth is that the Kingdom of God is the name of the Kingdom of God as well as the name of the Ruler."

"Love that keeps the hand to the plow, that carries the seed to the back, that rises to the need of the hour, is the fulfilling of the law. Don't worry. Live by the spirit of the law, and it will bring peace and happiness, and you will already have entered the Kingdom of God, right here on earth."

TABERNALE BAPTIST.

Social service, moral and ethical preaching, the failure to emphasize the importance of the fundamental worth of the Kingdom of God to satisfy the inward desires of men and the outward duties of citizenship, were the chief features of the sermon by Rev. W. Weatherston, of Fort Worth, Texas, who filled the pulpit of Rev. C. E. Maddy, at the Tabernacle Baptist church yesterday evening.

Dr. Weatherston's subject was the "Kingdom of God." He preached a powerful sermon in a simple manner, setting forth the prime doctrine of Christianity, that the Kingdom of God is the Kingdom of the human being for the Divine. He pointed out that after men have spent great sums of money doing good to other men, when they have given the best part of their lives to humanitarian movements, even though they have done great good, and have been great blessings to the world, in a practical sort of way, yet there must be in the heart of such men a sincerity and earnestness which is the Kingdom of God, and it is an endowment for all time.

"The Church baptizing" was the subject of the morning sermon. He said that the church is the Kingdom of God in the world as the habitation of man expressed His power, in beautiful work so, therefore, in the creation of an agency for the extension of the Kingdom, His ideal was the beautiful spiritual life.

The church, explained the preacher, displaces its beautiful life in the common experience of its members, the basis of which is God in beautiful fellowship, as illustrated by Paul in his figure of the body composed of many members, in noble ambitions in which love is the governing principle.

FIRST BAPTIST.

"The Spirit That Troubles and a Cure For It" was the subject of Dr. T. W. O'Kelley at the First Baptist church yesterday morning. The text for the morning was taken from I Samuel 16:23. "And it came to pass when the evil spirit from God was upon Saul, that David took a harp, and played with his hand; so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit departed from him."

Dr. O'Kelley treated of the unusual thing of a King being troubled. He was not sick. There were no bodily ailments to attribute the trouble to. Saul was brought face to face with the evil spirit within him and it gave him unpleasant thoughts, fancies of the future, perhaps. Every man is subject to the same sort of forebodings at times, and the same evil spirit Saul drew away from him by having David play to him on the harp. The power of music soothed his troubled spirit. Men today try to accomplish a similar end by entering into drug and drinking habits in a wine cup. This cannot be permanent. The only way to ease the spirit

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Dr. Betha dwelt strongly on the importance of three things, namely, a perfect manner, but with heartness, these being regular attendance at church, regular reading of the Bible, and participating in the sacraments.

He said to do these things should be regarded as the highest privilege. At the conclusion of the sermon, the Holy Communion was administered, many remaining for this service.

Mr. Betha, who is a guest at the Elms on Hillboro street, will give a cordial welcome during his stay here. Although a native of South Carolina, he has strong ties of blood here, and his wife, Mrs. Betha, being a grandson of Rev. James E. Morrison, an eminent Presbyterian divine, who was educated at the University of North Carolina and at Princeton, and who was chairman of the committee appointed to select a site and found Davidson College. Dr. Morrison's first cousin and co-worker, Rev. Robert Hall-Morrison, who was president of Davidson college, trained a large family of the wives of General Stonewall Jackson and General D. H. Hill being among the number.

Mr. Betha is canonically connected with the diocese of East Carolina, but at present resides at the Church of the Advent, Williamson. He is also prominent in all branches of the Masonic order and holds several high honors therein.

Money talks, and even the purist is not averse to hearing the conversation of filly liars.

When a man is a chronic kicker himself, he should hesitate to talk about a mule behind his back.

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