

WEATHER—Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday. Probable thunder storm.

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Japan Prepares For War With Germany

Kaiser's Ultimatum Will Doubtless Be Denied And Hostilities Will Follow

The French Squadron Has Sunk Two Austrian War Ships In Adriatic Sea

(By the United Press.)
Tokio, Aug. 17.—The Japanese government is now preparing for war. The fleet is being readied and the army is ready to board the transports which are already steamed up.
There is no doubt but what the German ultimatum will be denied and that immediate hostilities will follow.

the French cavalry and it is reported that they have been drowned in the Meuse river.
The French lines are now clodding in Saarburg and they have also taken many villages in the upper Vosges. This statement comes from the war office. It is stated that the French lost heavily, but not as bad as the Germans.

FLEET MUST BE REMOVED

WERE CHECKED BY BELGIANS

Washington, Aug. 17.—The Japan ambassador, Baron Chinda, last night delivered to Secretary Bryan the written ultimatum of Japan that an ultimatum had been addressed to Germany requesting the latter's withdrawal from her field of activity in China. At the same time he communicated Japan's assurance to the United States that the utmost endeavor would be exercised to safeguard interest of this country and all others not immediately concerned in the present operations.
The United States, it became known after Baron Chinda's call on Mr. Bryan, does not intend to be drawn in any way into the controversy, regarding it as a matter purely between Germany and Japan. The American government considers satisfactory the promise of Japan of "eventual restoration to China" of the territory of Kiau-Chau.
The Japanese ambassador presented a communication from the foreign office at Tokio embodying the substance of the ultimatum, and added a strong statement concerning Japan's purposes of maintaining the territorial integrity of China by restoring the territory of Kiau-Chau originally taken from China by Germany as an act of reprisal for the killing of German missionaries.
The statement made no direct reference to the United States but gave assurance in general that the interests of all powers interested in maintaining the territorial status quo in the far east would be protected.
It developed as a result of the conference that Japan had no assurance up to the present time that its ultimatum had been delivered to Germany, owing to cable difficulties. To make certain of its delivery, a copy of the ultimatum will be communicated to Berlin through the channels of the American government.

GERMANS ARE NOW AWAITING REINFORCEMENTS BEFORE RENEWING THE AT TACK AGAIN.

(By the United Press.)
Brussels, Aug. 17.—There was a dashing dash of the German cavalry to Hyre, situated about thirteen miles from this city, Sunday. The war office announces that the Germans were checked after a skirmish and then withdrew.
It is now reported that the German advance is reported to have been halted. The troops are now waiting in the intrenchments pending the arrival of the reinforcements.

TWO WARSHIPS HAS BEEN SUNK

THIRD ONE HAS BEEN SET ON FIRE AFTER A FIGHT WITH THE FRENCH FLEET.

(By the United Press.)
London, Aug. 17.—Two Austrian warships have been sunk and a third one set on fire. The fourth one fled towards Cattaro after a fight with the French squadron off Dudaia in the Adriatic yesterday. A dispatch to the news agency at Nish states that the fight lasted for hours.

AUSTRIA'S SHIP SEEKS REFUGE

CHASED BY BRITISH FLEET. DEFENSES OF FORTS TO BE TRIED OUT LATER.

(By the United Press.)
Rome, Aug. 17.—The British Mediterranean fleet has chased two Austrian cruisers from Antivari to Pola. The Austrians took refuge inside the rendezvous and under the protection of the land forts. It is expected that the British will try out the defenses of the forts under their heavy guns.
It's restful in Washington Park.

SINK CRUISER.

(By the United Press.)
London, Aug. 17.—The war office here announces this afternoon that the French swept the Adriatic north to the gulf of Cattaro. They sank a small Austrian cruiser of the Asperin type.

GOOD FAITH IN JAPANESE

PRESIDENT WILSON SO EXPRESSED HIMSELF THIS AFTERNOON—CONFERES WITH SIMMONS AND UNDERWOOD.

(By the United Press.)
Washington, D. C., Aug. 17.—The President this afternoon expressed himself as satisfied with the good faith of the Japanese in their efforts to restore to China and the German concession in the German ultimatum. The President stated that there was no reason why America should be involved.
President Wilson gave it out today that he would render his decision as to censorship on cable messages tomorrow. He conferred this afternoon with Senator Simmons and Representative Underwood with reference to the war tax bill, but they arrived at no decision. Also there was no decision as to the government war risk insurance measure. The President stated that the insurance would be only temporary if it should be adopted.

KAISER STARTS TO THE FRONT

THERE WAS NO GENERAL ATTACK TODAY. IT IS REPORTED—THE GERMANS HALTED.

(By the United Press.)
Brussels, Aug. 17.—The Germans have halted in their forward movement and the infantry will remain in its regular position in the line, says a wire from the Belgian frontier. The cavalry scouts are active. There was no general attack today, according to the war office.
It is reported in Amsterdam that the Kaiser has started to the front and is enroute to Mainz. He is accompanied by his entire general staff.

THE CHINESE ARE AROUSED

WILL PROTECT THEIR TERRITORY AT THE POINT OF THE BAYONET IS REPORTED.

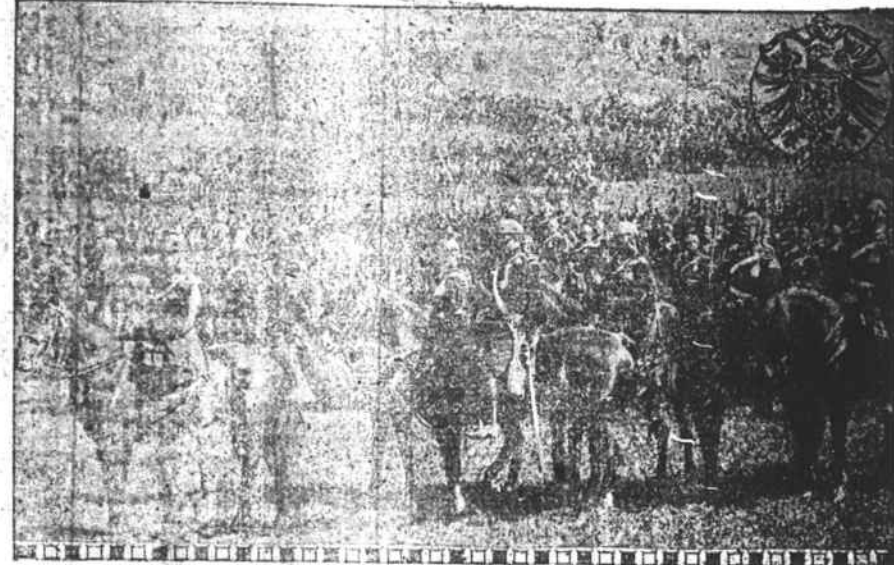
(By the United Press.)
Peking, Aug. 17.—It is reported that a strong detachment of Chinese troops have started towards Kainchau, apparently for the purpose forestalling any outsiders from recapturing that territory from the Chinese empire.

REPORT HAS NO FOUNDATION

THAT SOCIALIST LEADERS HAVE BEEN EXECUTED IN GERMANY—ARE ENLIVENING IN THE ARMY.

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The Hague, Aug. 17.—The first Berlin news from Correspondent Von Wigand says that the stories of the execution of the socialist leaders

GERMAN CAVALRY DIVISION DURING MANEUVERS



at Liebknecht received are untrue. The socialists are now enlisting and are generally supporting the government. There has been no mistreatment of the Americans, except where they are mistaken for the British. The six thousand Americans now in Berlin are wearing small American flags and special trains are transporting them to the frontier. There is no news from the front nor a list of the dead received. A list of the wounded posted show that a heavy percentage were wounded. All the Kaiser's sons are now to the front. None of the restaurants in Berlin have increased their prices as the military regulations prevent any extortion. Emperor William wrote in his own hand an acknowledgment of the American offer for mediation Wednesday.

GERMANS ARE CONTESTING

COSSACKS ARE PENETRATING THE RUSSIAN FRONTIER—MANY PRISONERS HAVE BEEN TAKEN.

(By the United Press.)
St. Petersburg, Aug. 17.—The Cossacks have penetrated the Russian frontier nearly to the Poles. The Germans, it is reported, are vigorously contesting the advance. The invasion of Germany now only awaits mobilization. Many prisoners are reported to have been taken.

KAISER ARRIVES

FRENCH ARE AGAIN VICTORS

TAKE GERMAN'S BASE AFTER SHELLING THE TRENCHES. MANY KILLED AND WOUNDED.

(By the United Press.)
Paris, Aug. 17.—It is reported that the French have taken the German's base at South Mulhausen after shelling the trenches. The infantry charged and carried them by storm. There was fierce hand-to-hand fighting and the superior strength of the French told. The Germans were routed.
The trenches were filled with the dead and wounded which the Germans left behind in their flight.
During the fighting the French aviators dropped bombs in the trenches, doing great damage.

PHOTO-ENGRAVERS MEET.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 17.—Every section of the country was represented today when the annual convention of the International Photo-Engravers' Union of North American was opened.

Accepts Offer Sect'y Bryan

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF MEDIATION PROPOSALS RECEIVED BY SECRETARY BRYAN.

(By the United Press.)
Washington, D. C., Aug. 17.—Secretary Bryan announced this afternoon that he was in receipt of acknowledgments of the mediation proposals from Germany, England, France, Austria. The proposal, although it reached Berlin, up to this afternoon no reply had been received by the State Department.
The President has decided to send a message to Congress, if necessary, on the war tax bill. It is probable the bill will be delayed for several weeks, as the tax has been effective for several years.

A. M. Dumay Made Member

IS ONE OF EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CURRENCY ASSOCIATION.

Thirty-seven national banks in North Carolina, representing an aggregate capital and surplus of \$8,500,000, has chosen the necessary papers of membership in the National Currency Association of North Carolina, which was organized in Raleigh last week. The headquarters of the association will be Raleigh. It is expected that there will be frequent meetings of the executive board in Raleigh. The president of the association is Mr. Joseph G. Brown, of Raleigh. Mr. A. M. Dumay, cashier of the First National Bank, this city, is a member of the executive board. Mr. Dumay is one of the best bankers in the State and his selection as a member of the executive board of the currency association is indeed a fortunate one.

First Sermon Was Enjoyed

PASTOR GAY PREACHES ON BAPTIST FOLKS AT HIS CHURCH SUNDAY EVENING. MANY PRESENT.

Rev. R. L. Gay, pastor of the First Baptist church, on last evening at his church began a series of sermons on practical points. His first sermon, entitled "Baptist Folks," was heard attentively by a large congregation last night and greatly enjoyed.
Mr. Gay left this morning for South Mills, Camden county, where this week he will assist in a series of meetings. He expects to return in time to fill his regular pulpit next Sunday morning and evening. On next Sunday evening the subject of his discourse will be: "Thou Shalt Not Steal."
HAS RETURNED.
Miss Vera Leonard has returned home after spending a couple of weeks with friends and relatives in Wilson and Raleigh.

Miss Cooper Passes Away

FUNERAL CONDUCTED THIS AFTERNOON AT FAMILY BURYING-GROUND NEAR OLD FORD.

Washington today is called upon to mourn the death of one of its most popular young ladies in the person of Miss Mary L. Cooper, who fell on sleep this morning at 4 o'clock at the home of her sister, Miss Ada Cooper, West Second street.
The funeral was conducted at the family burying ground, near Old Ford, this afternoon at 2 o'clock by Rev. H. V. Hoff, pastor of the Christian church, this city, in the presence of a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives.
For the past several weeks the deceased has been confined to her bed and while everything was done to relieve her suffering it was all to no avail, for the supreme Arbiter called and she answered without murmur nor complaint.
She was born on June 28th, 1875, in Pitt county, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nashville Cooper. In the year 1884 she with her parents moved to this county and for the past ten years has been a resident of Washington, where from the first she endeared herself to a large number. She leaves three sisters and two brothers; Mrs. T. E. Langley, of Greenville; Mrs. H. E. Hodges and Miss Ada Cooper, of this city, and Messrs. Robert and Marcellus Cooper.
She was a woman of the highest ideals and always walked circumspectly before both man and her Maker. "Behold her witnesses are in heaven and her record is on high." Truly it can be said of her, "She hath done what she could." May the same hand that has wounded be the one to succor and comfort Peace to her ashes.

Name Ticket Hyde County

COUNTY CONVENTION MET AT SWAN QUARTER LAST SATURDAY AND SELECT CANDIDATES.

The Democratic convention for the county of Hyde was held at the town of Swan Quarter, N. C., Saturday last and the following ticket was named:
For Representative—J. M. Clay-top.
For Sheriff—George Davis.
For Clerk Superior Court—S. D. Mann.
For Register of Deeds—Hector Watson.
For County Commissioners—E. O. Spencer, G. M. Silverthorn and J. M. Hall.
For Recorder—Charles Carter, of Fairfield, N. C.

E. B. Moore Is Near The End

HAS BEEN GRADUALLY SINKING SINCE SATURDAY—ONE OF CITY'S BEST KNOWN CITIZENS.

One of Washington's highly esteemed citizens in the person of Mr. E. B. Moore lies in a precarious condition today at his home on West Second street and the end is expected at any moment as this paper goes to press. Mr. Moore has been suffering from paralysis for some time. In consequence of his critical illness his son, Mr. Harold Moore, of Wilmington; Miss Louise Moore, of Raleigh; Mrs. Paul Tillery, of Raleigh, and Mrs. R. M. Hearne, a sister-in-law of Greenville, are at his bedside.

THE DISCHARGES ARE WHOLESALE BY RAILROADS

Washington, D. C., Aug. 17.—The "War of the Nations" is not only causing the closing down of factories in the United States by shutting off the importation of material from Europe, but is also causing the dismissal of hundreds of railway employes. Freight and passenger traffic on all the railroads running out of Jersey City shows such an enormous falling off that the railroads are compelled to make wholesale discharges in their operating forces.

To make a bad matter worse, millions of dollars worth of property are being hung up and thousands of men thrown out of employment because of the failure of Congress to pass the river and harbor bill.
According to the army engineers having river and harbor work in charge, work on 136 projects has either been suspended already or will be suspended by September 15, because of the failure of Congress to make the needed appropriations.

In a memorandum submitted Chairman Sparkman of the rivers and harbors committee of the House, the chief engineers, in calling attention of Congress to the pressing necessity for appropriations to carry on river and harbor work, said: "Every effort has been made to keep the estimates down to the amounts actually needed to permit of economical prosecution of the work adopted by Congress and, by reason of the regular passage in the past four years of rivers and harbors act, confidence that this policy would be continued has been gradually acquired; and not only the engineers' department, but contractors engaged in furnishing materials or doing work under the department have acquired the same confidence and have made their plans accordingly. The suspension of work results not only in positive loss of time and possible interference with navigation, but seriously handicaps and greatly adds to the cost of future work by the disorganization of working forces, and the effect which it has upon the confidence of contractors supplying materials."