

ON TO ANTWERP

Germans Pressing Forward on Belgian Soil and Campaign May be Changed

NO NAVAL BATTLE REPORTED AS YET

Movement to the North Has Begun—Russians Getting Active—Rumor that Germany May Acquiesce to Japan's Ultimatum—French Recapture Muelhausen.

An entire change in the plan of campaign may be brought about by an advance of the German armies to the North in Belgium. This was admitted in official communication from Brussels today, which said the Germans "had gained ground on both banks of the river Meuse." It added that the Belgians, having done all that could be expected of them, by holding the invaders in check for fifteen days, their strategy would now be merged into the general plan of the allied armies. It concludes with significant sentence that the "retrograde movement does not mean defeat," implying that the Belgians have been operating hitherto by themselves in checking the Germans, while the French and British were making preparations to meet the advanced German forces.

Rumors that Brussels has fallen into German hands were persistently in circulation in Paris, but no confirmation could be obtained. The Belgian capital was known to be threatened by the daring of the German cavalry who had reached the forest of Soignies, flanking the city. All approaching roads had been barricaded and entrenched. Four of Brussels hospitals are filled with wounded.

Antwerp apparently is the temporary goal of the German troops in Belgium. They are reported to be slowly but steadily moving in that direction.

The German soldiers have occupied Tirlemont and their masses pushing in from the frontier are believed to have come in contact with the allied forces' front. Report in Brussels asserted a battle had occurred near Charleroi, in which the Germans were supposed to have suffered a loss of six thousand killed. This was not confirmed by any official information.

Reports were current in many European quarters today that Germany had decided to comply with Japan's ultimatum, calling for German evacuation of Kiaochow and abandonment of Eastern seas by German warships. Holland is said to feel uneasiness in regard to her East Indian colonies in view of Japan's attitude.

Gubinnen, a German town twenty miles from the Russian frontier, has been occupied by Russians, who, according to Russian official advices, captured many prisoners and several guns. News of military developments issued by official press bureau becomes more brief as the great masses of Germans and Austrians approach the opposing forces of Belgians, and indications of the positions occupied are entirely suppressed.

French official advices announce rapid progress of a French column, invading Lorraine, in direction of Metz. Two sons of Emperor William are said to have passed through Liege, en route to the front. Corps of Amazons is reported being raised in Berlin, according to a statement made by Chinese medical men, who have arrived at Rotterdam from Berlin.

The Montenegrin troops have invaded Austrian territory in Herzegovina, where they have been incorporated as army corps in the Serbian army. Small German and British forces, stationed in the African colonies, are carrying out raids in each other's territory.

Germans Press On.
Paris, Aug. 20.—There is persistent rumor here that the Germans have occupied Brussels, but it cannot be confirmed.

An official communication from Brussels says "the Germans have gained ground on both banks of the river Meuse and are in contact with allied armies." The enemy, finding roads to the southwest strongly held by the French and Belgians, discovered an opening to the North. This may entirely change the strategy on both sides.

Brief Statement
A communication given out by the French War Department today was the briefest for some days. It announced only bare facts that there

BRITISH EMBASSY RECEIVES REPORT

river and Morhange on the other side. The first point at which the Germans crossed the French frontier was at Cirey-Sur-Vesouse. Since then there has been continued fighting in that region until a day or two ago, when it ended in a victorious advance of the French forces, who inflicted decisive defeat on the Germans had drove them back across the frontier east of Lunéville. Little idea has been given in official despatch of the desperate struggle that occurred around a handful of villages scattered along the French frontier. Point after point was taken and retaken by one side or the other.

French Retake Muelhausen.
Re-occupation of Muelhausen, Alsace, by the French troops is announced by officials here today.

The recapture of Muelhausen was preceded by a severe battle during which the troops took one of the suburbs at point of bayonets. They also took, as result of their victory, 6 German cannon and six German ammunition wagons. An official note says the Vosges Mountains situation is unchanged.

"In upper Alsace the French troops have occupied Guelbwiller, fourteen miles southwest of Colmar. In Lorraine, it is stated the French lines extend from the north of Saarburg, passing by Morhange to Delme. The situation in Luxembourg and Belgium is unchanged."

Russians Active.
St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—A body of Russian troops, according to communication given out today, has occupied Gubinnen, twenty miles from the Russian frontier in East Prussia, capturing at the same time twelve German guns and a large number of prisoners.

Sally into British Territory.
Nairobi, British East Africa, Aug. 20.—Small German forces crossed the frontier into British territory today, raiding native cattle.

Canadian Druggists Meet.
Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 20.—New legislation regarding the sale of drugs was the important matter discussed by the Canadian Pharmaceutical Association at the opening session of its annual convention here today. The sessions will continue several days, during which time numerous papers will be presented by prominent druggists and chemists of Canada and the United States.

Fairbanks Family Reunion.
Dedham, Mass., Aug. 20.—Several hundred descendants of Jonathon Fairbanks, who came from Yorkshire, England, in 1836, and settled in this town, came here today to attend the thirtieth annual reunion of the Fairbanks homestead, built by the founder of the American branch of the family soon after his arrival here, and believed to be the oldest dwelling in New England.

St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 29.—A party of State officials and members of the Minnesota Mistorical society visited Fort Ridgely today to attend the dedication of a monument to the friendly Chippewas and their chief Moo-zoo-maup-nie, who are said to have rendered assistance by giving warning of the movements of the hostiles and conducting the whites to safety at the time of the Sioux massacre in 1862. The monument was erected by the State of Minnesota. The dedication was accompanied by a program of interesting exercises. The principal addresses were delivered by Geo. F. Authier, private secretary to Governor Eberhart, and Theodore H. Beaulieu of White Earth.

Washington, Aug. 20.—A bill to provide five million dollars war risk insurance by the government for ships of American registry during the European war was ordered favorably reported today by the Senate Commerce Committee, after a brief hearing.

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Foreign Office Describes the War. Moves and Situation to Date.

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Says German Ships Are Confined to Harbors—Seaborne Commerce to the Fatherland Paralyzed.

Washington, Aug. 20.—The British Embassy here today received from the British Foreign Office the following summary of the naval and military situation to date, a copy being sent to Secretary of State Bryan:

Since the declaration of war the fleet has been responsible for the safety of an expeditionary force, which completed disembarkation in France August 18th in perfect order and without casualty.

"The work of the navy in the Atlantic and elsewhere in safeguarding trade routes in best exemplified by the fact that at Lloyds yesterday the war risk fell to forty shillings per cent, whereas the rate to insure freight of corn paid by steamers from the United States to British ports is thirty shillings per cent.

"The German fleet outside of the Baltic is confined to the harbors. English commerce is almost normal. The German seaborne commerce is paralyzed. Only casualty is the loss of the light cruiser Amphion, blown up by a mine, after having sunk the German mine layer Koeningluise.

"One German submarine has been sunk in the North sea.

"The military situation is as follows:

"The German forces at present extend from North of the neighborhood of Basle through Liege to a point in Belgium, to the East of Antwerp and near the Dutch frontier. The outstanding features of operations up to the present has been delayed caused to the contemplated German offensive across Neuse by the defense of Liege, where the forts are still intact. It has permitted orderly mobilization and concentration of the French army and British expeditionary force. The German troops have now crossed the Meuse, both above and below Liege, and are gaining some ground slowly westward, but their advance cavalry has been continually checked by the Belgians.

"In the South, where the German Armies are apparently on the defensive the French are advancing on a long line into Alsace and Lorraine, the great extent of which they now occupy, the greater extent of which they now occupy, engagements, troops opposed to them."

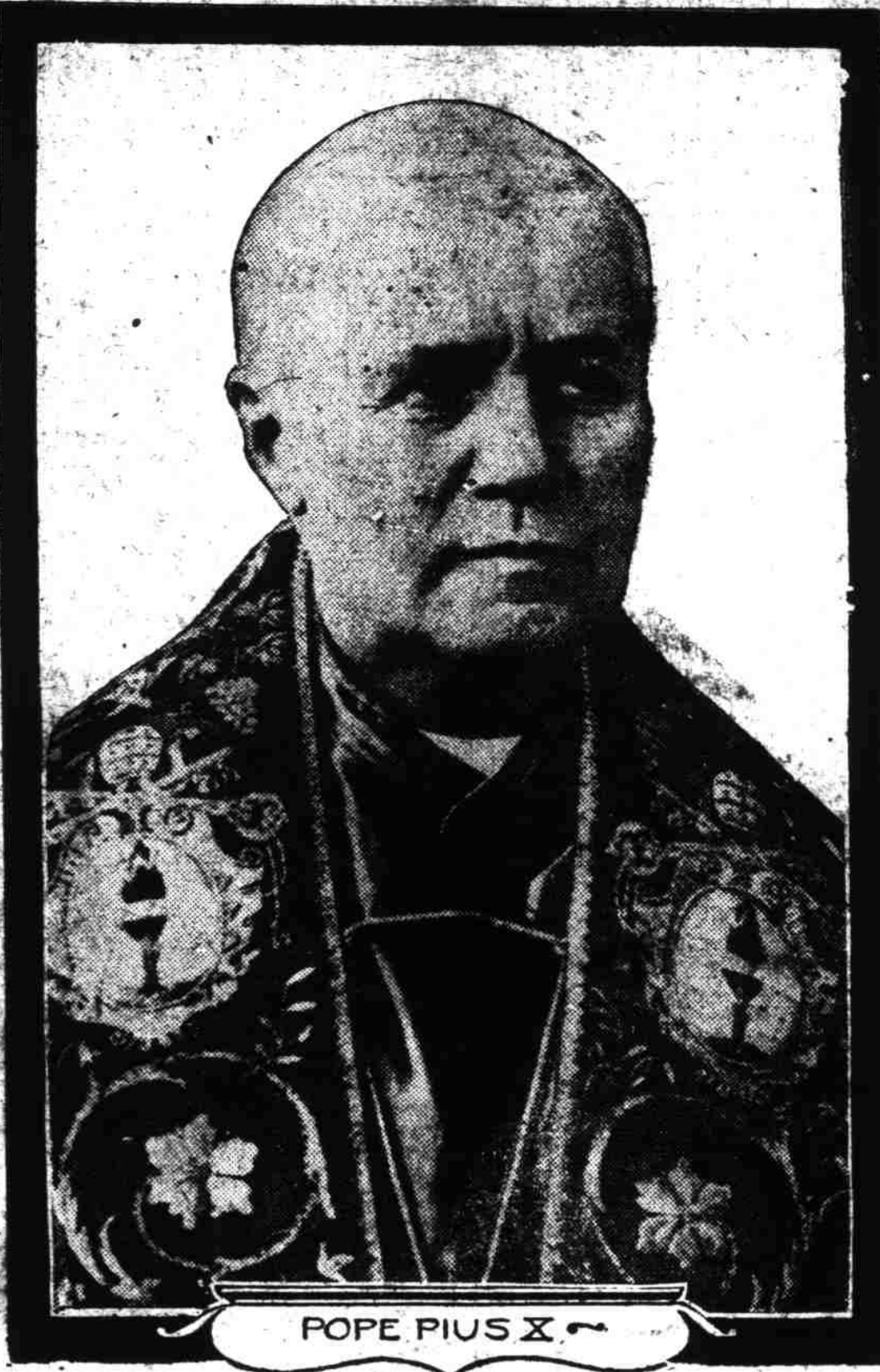
Ready for Big Auto Races

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 20.—Officials of the Chicago Automobile Club have completed all arrangements for the annual road race to be held over the Kane County course tomorrow and Saturday. The Chicago Automobile Club trophy race will be the event of the opening day. On Saturday the free-for-all, or Elgin National trophy contest, will be decided. Six thousand dollars will be divided among the winners of the two big races. Oldfield, Grant, Anderson, Babcock and a number of other famous drivers will take part.

Railroad Superintendents Meet.

New York, Aug. 20.—Once a year the superintendents of the leading railroad systems of the United States and Canada come together to exchange views on various problems of their business. The occasion is the annual meeting of the American Association of Railroad Superintendents. This year's meeting was opened at the Waldorf today and will be continued over tomorrow.

THE LATE POPE PIUS.



POPE PIUS X

THE AGED PONTIFF PASSED AWAY EARLY HOUR TODAY

Pope Pius Unable to Rally From Last Illness.

FOR ELEVEN YEARS

He Had Been at Helm of the Catholic Church and Witnessed Troublesome Times—New Pope to Be Selected Likely Next Month—President Wilson Sends Condolences.

Rome, Aug. 29.—"Together in our All things in Christ."

These words, which Pope Pius X adopted as a motto six days after he had been elevated to the Pontificate, were on his lips as he entered the valley of death.

The end came peacefully at 1:20 this morning. A few minutes before he had been roused from the state of semi-consciousness and he attempted to bestow a blessing upon those gathered at his bedside, but his strength failed. After a pause he murmured the scriptural text and did not speak again. It is expected that the conclave for election of a Pope will be held September 3, after delay to give time for the Cardinals from several countries to arrive.

Life of the Pope.

Giuseppe Melchiorre Sarto, known to the world as Pope Pius X, was elected to the Pontificate on August 4, 1903, and during his occupancy of his exalted office as head of the Roman Catholic Church, he was confronted with some of the most momentous problems, religious and governmental, with which the Holy See has had to deal in modern times.

Pope Pius was born on June 2, 1835, at Riese, in the Venetian provinces, the first child of Gian-Battista Sarto, a postman, and his wife Margherita. Giuseppe's early career was influenced by the village priest who took a liking for the boy, taught him to read and write and drummed into the youthful head the rudiments of Latin. At the age of eleven years he entered the seminary at Castelfranco, not far from his birthplace, and for four years every day he tramped to school, usually barefooted, until he reached the outskirts of the village, where he would slip on his shoes to keep up appearance.

From Castelfranco he passed in 1850 to the Seminary at Padua, and in 1858, at the age of 25, was ordained priest and took up his studies at Tombo. In 1867 he had his first parish of importance, that of Salzano, where he remained for eleven years. In addition to his ecclesiastical duties Father Sarto contributed largely to the support of his mother and sister who found life a hard struggle, especially in the winter. His eloquence led to his being called at the age of 40 to Treviso as chancellor of the diocese, and shortly after he was appointed professor of theology in the seminary. Nine years of strenuous work followed, crowned in 1884, by his assuming the mitre as bishop Mantua.

Leo XIII conferred upon Bishop Sarto the title of "Roman Count" and in the Consistory of June, 1893, created him cardinal, giving him the Roman Church of San Bernardo from which to take his title. He was so poor that he was unable to pay the fees connected with the acceptance of the new dignity, but some of his admirers came forward and provided him with the necessary funds.

Patriarch of Venice.
Creating him cardinal, Leo XIII appointed him also Patriarch of Venice, but he did not leave Mantua until a year later, owing to conflict between the Italian government and the Holy See, over the right of the House of Savoy to be consulted before the appointment of a Patriarch, the government having inherited the rights of the republic of Venice. The dispute was cut short by King Humbert also appointing Cardinal Sarto as Patriarch of Venice.

The Patriarch's relations with the House of Savoy were always most cordial. Every time that their majesties or the prince visited Venice

STATE REPUBLICANS ARE IN CONVENTION

Indications They Will Adopt a Progressive Platform

ARE TO MAKE A BIG CAMPAIGN

North Carolina Republican Convention Being Held in Raleigh Today—To Endorse Primary For State.

Special to The Dispatch.

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 20.—The Republican State platform, to be adopted this afternoon, will endorse the proposed Constitutional amendments for change in taxation scheme and providing for six months' school term. The convention also will endorse a State-wide legalized primary for all parties on the same day, accompanied by a corrupt practices act and the Australian ballot.

The convention favors placing convicts in the lime deposits of the State so as to furnish lime to the farmers at cost. The leaders say they will make a big campaign in the fall, emphasizing those things the Democrats left undone.

Former United States District Attorney A. E. Holton will accept the nomination for Congress in the Fifth District, in Greensboro tomorrow, as the platform is to his liking.

A fairly large crowd, considering that this is the off year, is in attendance today.

Governor Craig today made a short address to forty corn club boys, telling them what they were doing for peace. The boys are an unusually fine lot and were towed about the city by Colonel Olds.

Meeting of Montana Bankers

Butte, Mont., Aug. 20.—Representative bankers and business men from all parts of the State were present today at the opening of the annual meeting of the Montana Bankers' Association. Business sessions and various features of entertainment will occupy the visiting bankers during the remainder of the week. Among the well known financiers scheduled to address the convention are Arthur Reynolds of Des Moines, president of the American Bankers' Association, and Joseph Chapman, of Joliet, Ill.

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BRECKENBRIDGE STILL AWAITS INSTRUCTIONS

AMERICANS ARRIVE ON CHARTERED BOAT

London, Aug. 20.—American Assistant Secretary of War Breckenridge is awaiting instructions at Falmouth, aboard the cruiser Tennessee, which carried gold for relief of stranded Americans in Europe. Breckenridge believes the money aboard the Tennessee is for charitable purposes. Consequently Americans whose friends deposited money for them with the Treasury Department are not able to get their money here. Nothing can be done in this direction until further instructions are received from Washington.

Americans Arrive on Chartered Boat.

London, Aug. 20.—I. N. Vaughn, of Richmond, Va., and his wife arrived here today from Stockholm, aboard the steamer Sterling, especially chartered by a party of fifty Americans.

Fort Worth, Tex., Aug. 29.—The financing of the farming and ranching interests of the country will be the leading subject of discussion by the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America when it meets here in annual convention week after next. The convention will be attended by 2,000 or more delegates representing the branches of the organization in thirty States. President Charles S. Barret of Georgia will preside.

Realty Transactions.—Deeds were filed for record today as follows: M. W. Johnson and wife to New Hanover Trust Co., for \$385, lot 9, block 1, northern section of Carolina Beach; Wm. Struthers, Jr., and wife to J. D. Edwards, for \$100 and other considerations, lot on east side of 11th street, 132 feet south of Queen, 66x165.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C. at 8 a. m. yesterday, 1.8 feet.

Children's Souvenir Dance.—Lumina tonight 8 to 9 p. m. Regular dance follows.—Advertisement.

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