

JAPANESE WILL FIGHT GERMANS

GET OUT OF CHINA OR FIGHT

The Teutons Given Until August 23 to Accept This Ultimatum Unconditionally--German Army In Belgium Has Resumed Its Advance

TOKIO, Aug. 16.—Japan has sent an ultimatum to Germany demanding that all German warships be withdrawn from Kio-Chau and that the Germans evacuate the territory on the east coast of China that they leased in 1897. Unless Germany accepts the ultimatum unconditionally by August 23, Japan will take drastic action. The hostilities between Japan and Germany seem certain. The growth of the Teutonic influence in China is highly displeasing to Japan and the Japanese have been trying by every means of diplomacy to overcome it and oust the Germans from the Chinese territory.

The acquisition of K Kio-Chau by the Germans gave them their trade and commerce the first foothold. This a walled city on the south coast of the peninsular of Shan Tung near the head of the bay of Kai-Chau.

MIGHTY GERMAN ARMY RESUMES ITS ADVANCE.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 16.—The German army in Belgium has resumed its advance and according to all indications that section of the right flank lying between Namur and Dinant is attempting to smash its way through the Belgian and French Dispatches say that an engagement is going on along the German front for a distance of 100 miles between Namur and Dinant and south of the river Meuse. Infantry, cavalry and artillery are engaged and a heavy bombardment is going on.

AMATEUR WIRELESS PLANTS CLOSED

MONTREAL, Aug. 16.—All amateur wireless plants in Montreal have been closed by the authorities and the apparatus taken apart. This was done in order to prevent official messages from being intercepted and any dissemination of false information.

JAP. MINISTER CALLS ON AMER. AMBASSADOR

TOKIO, Aug. 16.—Following the announcement that Japan had served an ultimatum on Germany, Takkaaki Kato, Japanese minister of Foreign Affairs, called on George Guthrie, the American Ambassador. It is supposed that he gave assurances that in the event of a declaration of war, Japan would safeguard the integrity of China. It is desired of the United States Government that in the event of war in the Orient, that China shall not suffer with a loss of territory.

HAMBURG AMERICAN SHIP TO BRING AMERICANS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Secretary of War, Garrison, today announced that Ambassador Gerard and Berlin had telegraphed an offer to allow the United States to use any of the Hamburg American liners now in American waters to bring home Americans from Germany.

NEWS OF GREAT FIGHT IS NOW EXPECTED

PARIS, Aug. 16. (3:00 p. m.)—The Communiqué, just issued by the French government, notifies the populace to be prepared for news of a great battle involving more than two million German

French and Belgian troops over the battle line extending from the interior of Belgium southwest along the French border to the Northern boundary of Switzerland. An appeal is made to the public to follow with coolness and calmness the various phase of the operations. It is believed that the mighty conflict opened in earnest today.

GERMANS SAID TO BE GUILTY OF SAVAGERY

PARIS, Aug. 16.—At 3:30 o'clock the war officials issued a statement saying: "It is reported that in the villages in upper Alsace, the Germans are guilty of savagery. Before being compelled to evacuate, a number of the houses were wrecked and the corpses of non-combatants are said to have been found under debris in the streets."

FRENCH AND GERMANS IN BIG BATTLE AT DINANT.

LONDON, Aug. 16.—The correspondent of the Times in Brussels telephones as follows: "A battle was fought on Saturday between the French and German forces at Dinant in Belgium, forty miles southwest of Leige. At six o'clock in the morning the Germans occupied a portion of Dinant lying on the west bank of the Meuse. The French column of infantry, supported by guns and artillery attacked the Germans and after a fight of several hours, they drove the Germans out. When the Germans fell back they were pursued for ten miles by the French chasseurs and infantry men. Operations around Dinant

indicate that the Germans are south of the Meuse and are pressing forward toward the French frontier.

FOR TWELVE MILES. THE LINE OF BATTLE RAGE

LONDON, Aug. 16.—Terrific fighting is now going on between the French and Germans force along a twelve mile battle line stretching from Sarrebourg in Southern Lorraine to Luneville in the French department of the Meuse-et-Moselle. War officials claim that the French soldiers were victorious in the first day of the battle which commenced at daybreak on Saturday. The French forces precipitated the fight by commencing an offensive movement all along the line of Lorraine and upper Alsatian frontiers.

NO MORE LIQUORS FOR THE CITIZENS OF PARIS

PARIS, Aug. 16.—An order was issued today absolutely prohibiting the sale of absinthe in any form. Violation of this order will be punished severely.

ALL FRENCH SOLDIERS OFF THE GERMAN SOIL

PEKING, Aug. 16.—The German agency here has received advices stating that all French soldiers have been driven off of the German soil. These dispatches were issued to counterbalance the continued reports of Belgian successes.

SPAIN HAS DECLARED SUSPENSION OF TARIFF

MADRID, Aug. 16.—The Spanish government today declared a suspension of tariff on

U. S. CONSUL WILL LOOK AFTER AFFAIRS

ROME, Aug. 16.—During the course of the European war the United States Consul in Trieste, Austria, will look after the affairs of the British consulate.

THE ENGLISH CONSUL HAS TO MAKE GETAWAY

ROME, Aug. 16.—A dispatch from Trieste says that Sir Godfrey Herstlet, the English Consul at Trieste had to fly for his life after England declared war against Austria.

Before fleeing Sir Godfrey Herstlet filed a vigorous protest against what he termed "Austria's shameful treatment of a British resident."

GERMAN SUBJECTS HAVE NOT BEEN ILL TREATED

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 16.—The Russian government has issued an official denial of the rumor that the German subjects in Russia have been ill treated.

GERMANS AND AUSTRIANS DRIVEN FROM MOROCCO

PARIS, Aug. 16.—The French government today made the official announcement that all Germans and Austrians had been expelled from Morocco. A rumor prevailed here was to the effect that a candidature of the Roman Catholic church member of the house, has been proclaimed for the Polish throne.

THE AUSTRIAN TROOPS HAVE EVACUATED KIELCE

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 16.—An official announcement was made today that the Austrian

troops have evacuated the towns of Kielce and Chencin in Russian Poland. The Russian cavalry attacked a regiment of Austrian dragoons and dispersed them.

STEAMBOAT LINE IS OF REAL ADVANTAGE

The merchants of New Bern are beginning to realize the value of a steam boat line between New Bern and Northern markets. The steamer L. B. Shaw, that for several months has been running from Baltimore and Norfolk to New Bern, is bringing at each trip larger cargoes than the previous. The boat brought twice the amount of freight their last trip as they did the trip previous.

LOOKING FOR SON

Boy Ran Away From His Home in Beaufort County.

J. C. Swanner, whose home is in Beaufort county four miles from Washington, was in New Bern yesterday looking for his sixteen year old son Guy Swanner, who left home about four weeks ago, and since the time of his departure Mr. Swanner had not heard anything from him until yesterday learned that he was in New Bern Friday night. He also learned that his son had been here for about two weeks working in one of the local lumber mills.

The cause of Swanner of leaving home, was a reprimand by his father.

CITIZEN OF OLYMPIA DIED FRIDAY NIGHT.

Wills Dunn, one of the most prominent citizens of Olympia died at his home Friday night after an illness of several weeks. The funeral will be held this afternoon at two o'clock at Broad creek.