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## Costly German Vessel Sunk Yesterday By A British Man O' War

### The Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse Meets Destruction Off the Coast of Africa. German Cruiser Run Ashore and Blown up by her Commander. The French Deny Rumor That Lille, a Strategic Post Has been Taken. The Russians continue Advance.

## Japanese Fleet Start Shelling Kiaco Chau

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Interest here centers around the announcement that the German merchant cruiser, Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse has been sunk by the British cruiser High Flyer off the coast of Africa and that the German cruiser Magdeburg had been run ashore and blown up by her commander in the Gulf of Finland after he discovered that it would be impossible to float the vessel. She was being chased by the superior Russian fleet. Seventeen of the men of the Magdeburg were killed and thirty-five, including her captain are missing. Both of these reports are official, the first being from the British admiralty and the latter from the German admiralty.

### DENIAL OF REPORTS OF THE FALL OF LILLE.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Reports that a strong French strategic post had been taken by the Germans, was officially denied by the French embassy tonight. They added that the fighting was only between the advance guards and resulted in the retirement of the Germans. Further announcement was made that the German advance had been halted from a point west of Lille to the French-Swiss frontier while the French assumed the offensive against the three main German armies.

### THE BRITISH TROOP ENGAGE WITH GERMANS.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—British troops under Sir John French, successfully engaged the German advance which crossed the French border. The location of this engagement was not made known. Premier Asquith did much to allay the apprehension felt here when in the House of Commons he stated "The position of the British troops is satisfactory." He added that the French reported the chances of a British success in the impending battle were very satisfactory.

### GERMANS TO ABANDON EAST AND WEST PRUSSIA.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Reports from the Hague, state that the Germans intend abandoning west and east Prussia, withdrawing to the Oder river the main defenses of Berlin are set. A statement made today by the Russian general staff says "The invasion of Galicia and Prussia is uninterrupted along a wide front and the bulk of the Russian army is marching irresistibly on Poland. It is not believed that the Russians will attempt to carry the strongly fortified Koselberg by assault but will rather invest strong points leaving a sufficient garrison to check and proceed with reserves toward the defense of Berlin."

### GERMAN TROOPS RETIRE AFTER RUSSIAN VICTORY.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—The report from the Russian general staff says "The Russian army has been victorious in the battle of the Masurian Lakes. The German troops have retired in confusion and are being pursued by the Russian army."

### THE JAPANESE ARE VERY PATRIOTIC.

TOKYO, Aug. 27.—The emperor is reported daily in making bandages for the Red Cross workers. In this he is assisted by the Court ladies. Patriotic lantern processions are being held in the various cities. The official gazette publishes a decree commanding that the service of

fleet then appeared of the harbor of Tsing Tau and shelled the place for an hour. The range was defective and the major portion of the shells fell on an unoccupied island in the harbor.

### THE GERMANS HAVE POISONED ALL FOOD.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 27.—A Russian army order prohibits use of food and forage abandoned by the Germans in east Prussia, because of cases of poisoning which have occurred at Eydtkuhnen, Gumbinnen, and Insterburg.

### ONE OFFICER SAYS OSTEND FORTS INTACT.

LONDON, 12 35 P. M., Aug. 27.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Ostend, credits a Belgian officer with the statement that the forts there are still holding out, with the exception of Marchvelette and Cogneele, which were destroyed by the bombardment.

The Belgians fought for two days, this officer says, and there are still a large force of Germans before Namur.

The foregoing dispatch is in contradiction to the dispatch from Berlin, received by wireless this morning, which declares that all the forts at Namur had fallen and that Longwy had been captured by the Germans.

### BELGIAN OPERATION COMPLETELY SUCCESSFUL.

ANTWERP, Aug. 27.—It is officially announced that the Belgian operations have been completely successful. They have the double object of reducing the German entrenchments and of drawing Germans from the line at Mechlin and Brussels, so as to relieve the pressure on the French positions.

Four Belgian divisions from Namur according to the announcement, stopped the southward advance of the German fourth division by obliging it to retrace its steps.

### THE GERMAN LINE IS SAID TO BE VERY WEAK.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Tests along the German line of communication, says the Ostend correspondent of the Daily News shows it is surprisingly weak. The Germans seem to have gone forward with the idea that they had nothing more to fear from the Belgian army.

"If the allies can hold their own at the front," says the correspondent, "it is certain German communication with the base can be cut at any moment. In fact, their army seems to be up in the air. It has no support and everything has been chanced on a victory for the advancing army, which is traveling fast, carrying its own supplies and supplementing them with levies on the surrounding country."

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officers of the mobilized division has been extended indefinitely.

Yukio Osaki, minister of justice, in speaking of the disinterestedness of Japan in the war other than in the conditions in Kiao Chow and the China sea, said

"When Japanese captures Kiao Chow and hostilities in the China and Japan seas are over, Japan will stand aside and become an onlooker if the war in Europe still is in progress. If, however, the Germans still retain a standing in the south seas which would be a menace to the peace, Japan, in accordance with the alliance, would consult Great Britain and might co-operate in driving the Germans out of the Orient."

### THE RUSSIAN HAVE UNUSUALLY LARGE FORCES.

BERLIN, via London, Aug. 27.—Correspondents of the Kokal Anzeiger and the Tageblatt at Austrian headquarters estimate the strength of the Russian forces beaten at Krasnik, a town of Russian Poland, at four or five army corps, or possible 2000,000 men. Two Russian corps, which formed the advance guard, were on August 23 ejected from the heights of Krasnik and Frampol.

Sanguinary battles occurred on the route to Lublin and on the heights and in the forests along the small River Chodol, which were only finally decided on August 25. The battle was fought in a difficult country, which was full of forests.

### BULGARIA FAVORS TEUTON RE- SERVES.

LONDON, August 27.—The Morning Post prints a dispatch from Sofia saying that the Bulgarian Government is sending back to their country all Austro-Hungarian and German reservists under the same category as Bulgarian mobilized troops—that is, at preferential rates.

This discrimination in favor of Austria and Germany is causing considerable local comment since French and Russian reservists are compelled to pay full rates and are shown no favors whatsoever.

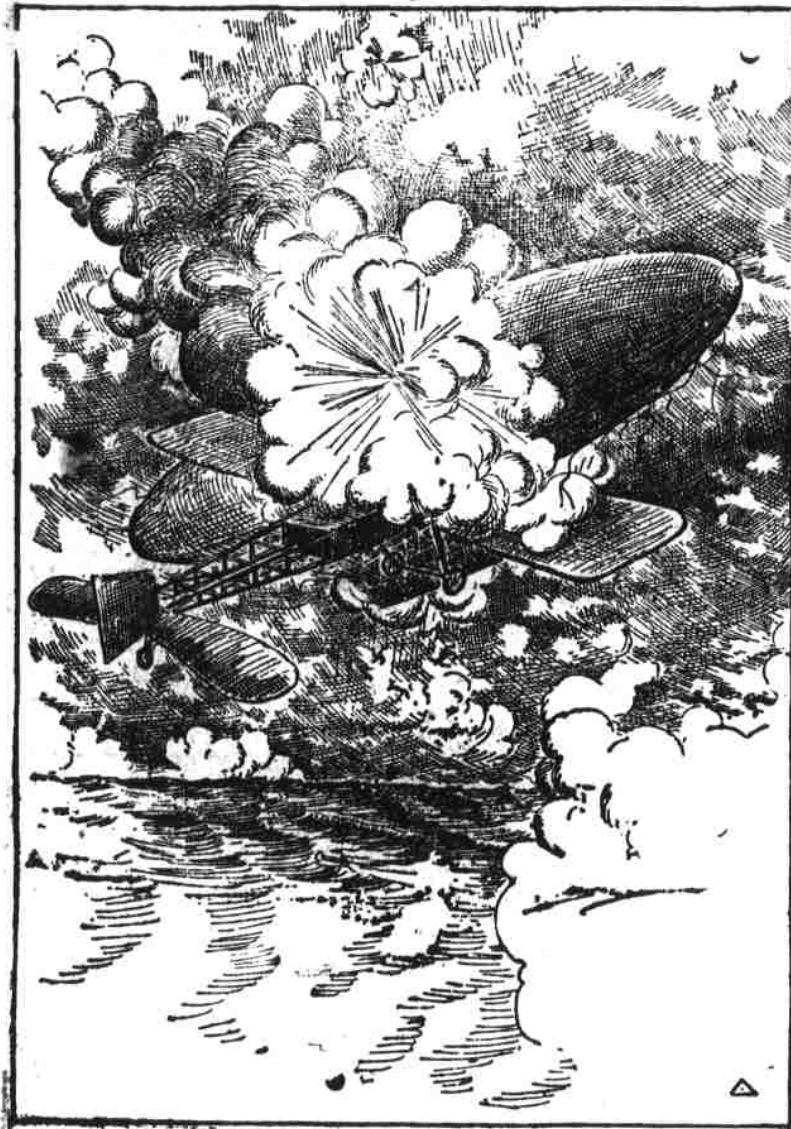
### ELECTOCUTION AT STATE PRISON TODAY

RALEIGH, Aug. 27.—Jim Cameron, of Moore county, colored, will on Friday morning at 10 30 o'clock yield up his life in the electric chair at the State prison for the murder of J. Arch Blue. The crime was committed in December, 1913.

### TONIGHT A BIG NIGHT AT GHENT PARK.

The usual large crowd that visits Ghent Park on Friday night is expected to be in attendance tonight. In addition to the excellent ly arranged picture program, the Electric Concert Band will furnish music for those who care to dance.

### AERIAL WARFARE.



—Berryman in Washington Star.

## Big Warehouse For Cot on Storage

### E. H. MORTON OF BELGRADE CONTEMPLATES IS ERECTION

Believing that the farmers of that section should hold their cotton for higher prices or at least until the scare brought by the European war has subsided, E. H. Morton who lives near Maysville, and who is one of the most progressive farmers and citizens of that section, is contemplating the erection of a large brick warehouse which will be used as a storage warehouse for cotton and also any other farm product that is found advisable to hold. Mr. Morton was in New Bern yesterday and while here he talked interestingly of his proposed step. He claims that the crop this year will be larger and better quality than before in many years and that the growers should receive a better price for it than they have heretofore been getting. However, he believes, and present indications point that way, that the price will lower and that the demand will be less than it was last year. Mr. Morton reasons that this state of affairs cannot continue for any great length of time and that when conditions have cleared up and the war has come to a close, that the European countries will demand large quantities of cotton for manufacturing purposes and that if the present crop is held over instead of being placed on the market just at this time that the farmers can secure a much better price. Mr. Morton has taken into consideration that many of the growers will have to have some money to tide them over for a few months and he believes that the cotton placed in his warehouse can easily be used as collateral for loans of a reasonable amount and that these can be repaid when the staple is finally disposed of. He has discussed the proposition with many growers in that section and they have readily fallen in with his views, in fact they have so heartily agreed that he has practically definitely decided to erect the warehouse and hopes too have it in readiness for use at an early date.

### CIRCUS IS COMING

#### Ringling Bros. Show likely to be Seen Here in October.

The agent for Ringling Bros. great circus, who is now in the State arranging for exhibitions of the widely advertised "greatest show on earth" is expected in the city shortly to make the necessary preliminary arrangements for the production. According to the Winston-Salem Journal Sherwood Upchurch spent Monday there arranging for the show in that city on October 1. The circus that bears the name of Ringling Bros. is said to be the largest of the group owned by this well known family.

### FOOD FOR SWISS FROM ALL SIDES.

#### French, Italian and German Frontiers Open.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—The Standard's correspondent sends the following from Geneva

"France and Italy, and to a certain extent Germany, have opened their frontiers to allow food to pass into Switzerland, because there are half a million French, Italians and Germans in this country. A considerable percentage of them are women and children.

"The cost of living in Switzerland has not mounted more than 20 per cent. so far. Strict measures have been taken against food speculators.

"Letters to Paris take thirty to thirty-six hours, and I am informed that they are held up there three days by the censors."

The gas freight boat Wave left yesterday morning for Beaufort with a cargo of merchandise.

## MUTT AND JEFF COMING

WILL BE SEEN AT THE MASONIC  
THEATRE ON  
SEPT. 2.

Once again the merrymaking "Mutt and Jeff" will be with us. The season of laughter is about to begin. "Mutt and Jeff in Mexico" in a brand new dress come to the Masonic Theatre on Sept. 2 with a bigger and a better show than has ever appeared before under the well known title. Giving "Mutt and Jeff" a new and superior production each successive year is an act of diplomacy on the part of Gus Hill. Bud Fisher's eccentric characters can live for a century or they can die as dead as a "door nail" in sixty days, if allowed to do so, but it is decidedly to the interest of both Bud Fisher and Gus Hill to see them live for years innumerable, which they will do as long as Fisher is able to furnish "new dope" and up-to-the-minute comedy situations and as long as Gus Hill furnishes a new and acceptable vehicle for their stage work. Both of these gentlemen seem to be successfully keeping up their pace at the present writing. "Mutt and Jeff in Mexico" will represent the "last work" in musical comedy production, everything being new but the name. The American public never wanted to laugh more than they do at this time. They seek comedy even in motion pictures. Gus Hill's mission since his entire into the theatrical producing game, has been to make the people laugh. He is the acknowledged dean of cartoon comedy production, never having offered a play of this sort that did not prove a success. It is, therefore, distinctly evident that the enormous success of "Mutt and Jeff in Mexico" is due to proper handling, by catering to the wishes and desires of the theatregoing public. This season's show consists of a sixty foot car load of scenery, properties and costumes. A cast of fifty capable artists and the inevitable chorus of pretty girls without which the "Phun Phest" would be incomplete. Don't miss "Mutt and Jeff in Mexico" at the Masonic.

### 4,000,000 POUNDS OF CHEESE FOR ALLIES.

QUEBEC, August 27.—At a special session of the Quebec Provincial Cabinet, it was decided to offer the imperial military authorities 4,000,000 pounds of Canadian cheese for the Allies.

The two mast schooner Mary Queen left yesterday for Aurora with a cargo of machinery.

### SETTING IT BACK.

