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Cannons' Roar Heard Along 250-Mile Line Hurl Twenty Army Corps Across Line

LONDON, Aug. 21.—(Censored by British Censor)—The Central News correspondent in Rome says an official account from St. Petersburg reports that a Russian army composed of 20 army corps will carry out the invasion of Prussia under the direction of Grand Duke Nicholas.

The Russian advance in East Prussia apparently stretches over a front of 60 miles between Stalluponen and Lyck, but the Russian invaders have not yet gained much German ground. Little is heard of the Austrian operations at present.

THE WAR TODAY.

Great battle between German armies and allied forces begun along a front of 250 miles, 2,500,000 men taking part.

British and French waships bombarded and greatly damaged Cattaro, an Austrian seaport, on Wednesday.

Libau, the Russian Baltic seaport, was badly damaged during its two hours' bombardment by a German fleet. The inhabitants were panic-stricken.

German warships are reported to have destroyed the harbor works at Hango, Finland.

Japan is making active preparations in view of the approaching expiration on Sunday of the time limit of her ultimatum to Germany.

A final call to arms affecting all able-bodied men from 20 to 42 years old has been issued by the Austrian government.

Russia hurls 20 army corps un-

der Grand Duke Nicholas into Prussia.

Montenegrins successfully repulse attack of Austrians.

Namur has been partially invested. Fire opened by German artillery.

A war tax of \$40,000.00 has been levied on Brussels by the German general.

PARIS, Aug. 21.—(Censored by French Censor)—With the roar of battle reverberating along a front of over 250 miles and with 2,500,000 men engaged in deadly combat, the great fight to decide the fate of the four nations struggling for supremacy on historic Belgian soil has begun, according to statements made by eminent French military critics today.

It is undoubtedly the German strategists' intention to break with their main army into France by the Brussels road and try to push through to Paris.

On the German left, where three Austrian army corps are said to have reinforced them, the battle is developing over a front of nearly 40 miles.

An impentable curtain has been drawn over the operations in the center of the battle line, where the main French army is co-operating in the fighting.

Belgium is now the theater of the most formidable shock in history, the duration of which escapes prophecy. The great armies of Germans and Austrians on one side, and the allied troops of Belgium, France and Great Britain, on the other, are now locked in a death struggle which may alter the entire map of Europe.

DEATH TAKES POPE PIUS X



POPE PIUS X. ON THE THRONE.

Grief Over European Slaughter Hastens end of aged Pontiff

CRISIS WAS VERY SUDDEN

ROME, Aug. 20.—Pope Pius X died at 1:20 o'clock this morning.

He has been ill for several days, but alarming symptoms did not develop until Wednesday morning.

Throughout the day Drs. Marchifava and Amici devoted their utmost energies to stimulating their patient and keeping him alive. The cardinals were notified of the pope's grave condition and some of them who entered the sick room describe the impressive and heart-rending scenes, especially when the pontiff, rousing himself from time to time, spoke. Once he said:

"In ancient times the pope by a word might have stayed the slaughter, but now he is impotent."

Prayers were said by thousands and the bells of the churches sounded when the sacrament was exposed upon all the altars. When the court learned of the pope's concern there was the deepest concern. King Victor Emmanuel personally informed Queen Helena and the news was communicated to the queen mother.

Extreme unction was administered by Mgr. Zampini, sacristan to his holiness, amid a most touching scene. The sisters of the pope and his niece were overcome with grief. Cardinal Merry del Val knelt by the side of his bed, where other cardinals joined him, the members of the household intoning prayers.

The dying pope, in a moment of lucidity, said:

"Now I begin to think as the end is approaching that Almighty in His inexhaustible goodness wishes to spare me the horrors Europe is undergoing."

Fatal Grief Over War.

Grief over the war in Europe caused the pope much depression from the first outbreak, and several days ago symptoms appeared of the old bronchial affection from which the pontiff had suffered in times past.

On Tuesday Dr. Marchifava announced that the pope was suffering from a simple cold and that possibly complete rest for a week would restore him to his usual health. The bronchial condition spread however and Wednesday it was announced that the Pope's condition was serious.

A bulletin issued at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, signed by Drs. Marchifava and Amici gave the following explanation:

"The pope's condition grew worse during the night. This was due to the diffusion of the bronchitis to the lower lobe of the left lung. Symptoms of heart weakness became so threatening at 10:30 o'clock this morning that it was believed the pontiff's life was endangered. At 1:30 p. m. the symptoms were slightly improved, but still grave. The temperature is now 103.1; pulse, uneven at 130; respiration, 50."

Among Our Friends

Mrs. Willis Wilson, of West Water street, is visiting friends in Columbus, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shearer, of Water street, have returned from a sojourn at Atlantic City.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Lewis Hay, of South Sixth street, left yesterday for an outing at Ridgeview Park.

The Rev. Dr. Jeremiah B. Work, of Tarkio Mo., is visiting in the home of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Work, on East Water st.

Mr. Speedy has returned to Vandergrift after spending Sunday with his parents on South Seventh street.

Mrs. Widowson and family have returned home after enjoying a couple weeks outing in the country.

Mr. Hicks of South Seventh street is enjoying his two weeks vacation.

The Knights of Malta lodge held their annual picnic at the Blacklick bluff Thursday August 20.

Miss Stella Vogel who has been visiting relatives in Punxsutawney, returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Stewart of Wilkinsburg has rented the new Blair house on Wayne Ave. and after September 1, she will make this her future home.

Mr. John Miller of Wayne Avenue motored to Blairsville Sunday for dedication of the United Presbyterian Church.

Mr. George Fiscus left Thursday for a couple of days' visit in Kittanning during the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Galbreath of Water Street and Mr. H. D. Galbreath motored to Apollo last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James McGregor of Church Street spent Sunday with her son-in-law and daughter of Coral.

Mrs. William Phillips of Philadelphia Street was a business visitor in Pittsburg Monday.

Captain McLain of South Fifth St. was in Pittsburg on business and later went to see his wife and daughter who are visiting in Hubbard Ohio.

Miss Myers of Philadelphia Street returned home after a short visit at Ridgeview Park.

Mrs. Ida Evans and Mrs. M. M. Ellwood of Blairsville are visiting Mrs. Hicks on South Seventh Street.

Attorney S. M. Jack and family motored to Punxsutawney Sunday.

Miss. Getrude Mickey left Thursday for a couple days' visit with her sister in Latrobe.

Mrs. H. Campbell of Locust Street, was a business visitor in Blairsville yesterday.

Silas Streams and Harry Powers, two of Indiana's estimable young men are spending their vacation in Atlantic City. They weren't sure, but they may spend a day or two in New York City before returning home.

Edgar Sprankle, of Grant street, is spending the week with relatives in DuBois, Falls Creek and Ridgway.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Eicher, of Church and Eleventh streets, are visiting in the home of Meade McHenry in Creekside.

Mrs. A. C. Wineman and her daughter, Martha, of West Church street are visiting with friends in Blairsville and vicinity for a few days.

THE PRESENT.

We should be blessed if we lived in the present always and took advantage of every accident that befell us, like the grass which confesses the influence of the slightest dew that falls on it, and did not spend our time in atoning for neglect of past opportunities, which we call doing our duty.—Thoreau.

A Comparison.

"Why is a clock like a pretty and vain young lady?"

"I fail to see any resemblance. Why?"

"Because it is all face and figure, has no head to speak of, is hard to stop when once it is wound up and has a striking way of calling attention to itself every hour of the day."—London Tit-Bits.

Murderous Attack By a Jail Inmate

Rosso Interviewed

"I am sorry of what I have done; but I was provoked," He said.

Michele Rosso, of Heilwood, who, last Wednesday morning attacked Luther Blouse, a jail inmate, and cut him in several places on his body with a sharp spoon tells his story.

"I was standing near my cell door, when Blouse was talking to some girls outside of the cell; he said to me to get out from where he was talking and I did; the next time he came around I said to him, excuse me but I do not want you to come in my cell anymore. While I was repeating this, Blouse said that he was not afraid of me and went on swearing. He came in my cell after this three or four times looking me in an angry manner, but I said nothing. In the evening the watchman Cramer told me to go to cell No. 4. I was just about to go, when Blouse came and gave me a smart push." We asked him if he attacked the first man who opened his cell Wednesday morning.

"No, I did not. When I came out from that cell, I went back to my own room, and there is where it all happened." "What happened?" we asked. "Blouse had it in for me," he wanted to fight me and he quickly posed with his closed fists, I could not fight and having in my hand a sharpened spoon, I commenced to strike.

"What use had you for that kind of a knife?" we asked. "I had it sharpened to cut fruits with." He then hung his head down, and after an interval he straightened up and said, "I am sorry of what I have done but I was provoked to do so."

Rosso is 19 years old and has been in this country for nearly 6 years. He is a Southerner and naturally of a quick temperament. He is now living on bread and water should this kind of food be ingorced and had the contact with the inmates been prohibited, chances are the stabbing may not have occurred.

Overstocked.

Madge as the oldest of a family of girls has evidently heard and taken to heart the disappointment of her parents over the excessive femininity allotted by the generous fates to the family quiver.

When recently the fifth little daughter was born Madge was playing in the garden with one of her sisters and, as a neighbor considered, was decidedly rough with the child.

"Madge, don't treat your little sister so," remonstrated the neighbor. "You might kill her."

"Well, if I did," was the cool response. "there's plenty more in the house."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Our First Music Masters.

Birds were our first music masters. Authorities on harmony have written volumes in search of the origin of the minor scale. If they had turned to the birds they might have discovered it without any search whatever. In every English copse the cuckoo (who has but two notes at his command) sings a perfect minor third downward. Listen to our wood thrush's melody! His cluster of three notes forms a perfect minor chord. Four hundred years before Christ, Aristophanes wrote a play entitled "The Birds," which was produced at Harvard a few years ago, the vocal part being set to music by John K. Paine.—Suburban Life.

Uncle Sam's Shore Line.

We have rather a long shore line to survey. According to trend it is 16,000 miles long, but when it is measured so as to include the shore line of all large islands, bays, sounds and estuaries within tidal range it becomes upward of 40,000 miles.—W. J. Showalter in National Geographic Magazine.

A Pirate.

"So Jack's married. Did he marry for beauty?"

"No, booty."—Boston Transcript.

Installments.

"Do your neighbors the Barkers own their piano?"

"One octave of it."—Life.

Big Fire at Nicktown

An overheated stove in the basement of the Catholic church, a frame structure, at Nicktown, yesterday evening completely destroyed the building. The flames spread to the newly erected Catholic church, adjoining, and that too was completely destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$45,000.

Homer To Have a Large Hall

The Mutal Aid Society of Christopher Columbus, which was recently formed, will build a hall 30 x 70 feet in Center township. The hall is to be completed by the later part of September.

The Formica's band of that place will use the hall for concert practicing.

Local Girl is Tennis Champion

By her splendid playing with Thomas Watkins at DuBois last week Miss Joy Douglass, of South Ninth Street, is now the Western Pennsylvania Tennis Champion in mixed Doubles. Miss Douglass brought a beautiful cup home with her as a result of her prowess with the racquet.

B. R. & P. Firemens gave a Big dance at Cameva Hall.

Over one hundred couples were on the floor of the new Cameva Hall at Creek Side last Monday Evening.

The dance was held for the benefit of the Firemen's Association. Craven's Orchestra, of this place, furnished the music, and refreshments of various kinds was served.

Wizard Could Not Puzzle well Known Doctor

The famous wizard which appeared last Monday night on the platform of the Chautauqua, after inviting for a few minutes some one of the audience to see the spirits, Dr. Truitt of this place, sprung up and marched up to the platform.

The wizard ask the dentist, "are you married?" "When I am at home" replied the doctor. The doctor's hands then where tied on his back, and he was made to enter the clothed, mysterious room. After a few minutes the screams and the playing of bells was heard. The doctor was then taken out in a very curious manner, a red toque pulled over his head and several bells belted around his waist.

The Indianans certainly enjoyed themselves at this appearance. This morning the doctor was asked if he actually had seen the spirits. "no he said. I did not, but I am always try to go where there are spirits, and the reason I went up, there was to shake hands with the spirits."

P. R. R. TO ENTER BRUSHVALLEY FIELD.

Anderson Co., of Altoona, been awarded the contract for the laying of a spur of the Pennsylvania railroad from Homer City, up Yellow Creek, a distance of six miles. The new road will be built to tap the coal field in Brushvalley township, formerly known as the Dean interests, but now under the management of the Indiana Improvement company.