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# GERMANS 60 MILES FROM PARIS

## Left Wing of French Troops Gives Way and Germans Pour Past Lines

PARIS, Aug. 31.—The Germans are only sixty miles from this city.

The allied army's left wing was again forced to fall back. This was an official announcement made at the war office late this afternoon.

A general engagement was reported from the front to be taking place in the center of the line of defense.

The Germans reinforced are endeavoring desperately to break through the main French army.

People here, realizing the possibility of the Germans' siege of the city very soon, are quietly fleeing to other parts.

## Allies Will Not Back into Paris

(By United Press)

PARIS, Aug. 31.—Final preparations for the siege of Paris by the German troops were completed this afternoon.

The allies now opposing the Germans will not enter the city if they are finally defeated.

They will continue on south and harass the German siege of the city.

## GERMAN REGIMENT CUT TO PIECES BY FRENCH WHEN THEY TRY TO CROSS MEUSE

By United Press

PARIS, Aug. 31.—An official statement issued today declared that an entire German regiment had been annihilated at Sassaye, when the Germans tried to cross the River Meuse.

Up to the present time, the Germans have not crossed the Meuse, it was declared.

## SERVIAN ARMY IS MASSED

By United Press

NISH, Aug. 31.—Practically the entire Servian army has massed

## Germans Cut Off British Supplies

(By United Press)

BERLIN, Aug. 31.—The War Office here today stated that the Germans had been victorious in both French and Russian territory.

It is claimed that a strong German column had been interposed between the English troops and the English channel, thus forcing the British supplies to reach their destination in a roundabout way.

The advance on Paris is being pushed and it was emphatically asserted by the War Office that Paris would be threatened soon by thundering German troops.

The fighting in the Vosges mountains remains undetermined.

It was admitted that the German losses were heavy in Prussia but at the same time it was declared that the Russians had been pushed back in their own country.

## AUSTRIANS ARE INVADING RUSSIAN POLAND, IS REPORT

BERLIN, Aug. 31.—The Austrian embassy here today claimed a sweeping victory for the Austrians in Northern Galicia.

The embassy declared that the Austrians routed the Russian forces and are now invading Russian Poland with remarkable success.

## KING OF ALBANIA IN FLIGHT

By United Press

DURAZZO, Aug. 31.—Prince William of Albania has fled from

along the Drina River, preparing to invade Bosnia.

A sympathetic revolt there against Austria is almost assured.

his country, abandoning the crown. He said the Italian insurgents were in their positions.

## SOFIA IS EXCITED

By United Press

SOFIA, Aug. 31.—Bulgaria officially played with Greece, Roumania, Servia, and Montenegro to help Russia against Turkey should the latter enter the general war, according to a statement here.

Reports from Constantinople that the Germans are trying to get Turkey to enter the war has created a sensation here.

## REFUSES REQUEST FOR TROOPS

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31.—Acting Secretary of War Witherspoon refused today the request of Governor Stewart of Montana for troops, following the dynamiting of the Anavada Mining Company's employment office at Butte yesterday.

Witherspoon wired the governor that every other effort to restore order should be utilized before troops are called upon.

Mrs. E. Pepe and son Harry left Saturday afternoon to enjoy the week end excursion to Galveston a few days.

## French Making Strong Effort to Force the Germans in Vosges

By United Press

PARIS, Aug. 31.—A supreme effort to hold the Germans flanking movement on the northwest is being made by the French armies in Lorraine in the Vosges mountains. An offensive movement is being made by the French troops hoping to compel the Germans to withdraw some of their forces against the French left wing which has been steadily falling back in the face of a much superior strength.

"The situation generally remains the same," said the French. Enormous supplies are being

guns of the outer forts. war office this morning, in its first announcement.

Houses, shops and factories in doomed circle outside the defense are being leveled to the ground, following the order issued by the military governor of the city late Saturday night. The governor is preparing for a siege and has ordered that all houses in the outskirts of the city be destroyed within four days.

Everything is being sacrificed to clear the path for the great stores in the city and in the bar-

ricks leaving the impression that the French believe the siege will be a long one, probably longer than that of 1870 when the French were held within the city for 132 days.

Cattle and sheep are grazing near the forts, ready to be slaughtered when necessity demands it.

Despite the fact that German aviators made a flight over the city Sunday, the city is calm today, although the pessimists continue to growl about the possibility of the Germans entering the city before the week is out.

## ALLIED FLEET SAVES DAY FOR BOYS OF MONTENEGRO

By United Press

CETTINJE, Aug. 31.—A combined French and British Fleet saved the Montenegrin positions from which they had been bombarding Cattaro.

Ten thousand Austrians heavily supported by artillery, started Sunday and assaulted the Montenegrin positions.

They had put two batteries out of commission when the allied fleet shelled the Austrians, forcing them to withdraw.

Prince Peter of Montenegro headed the counter attack and did good work, inflicting heavy losses on the Austrians and driving them back.



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**CARDINALS IN SESSION TO ELECT SUCCESSOR TO POPE PIUS TENTH**

By United Press:

ROME, Aug. 31.—A new pope is almost certain to be chosen from among Cardinals Maffi, Caspari, Ferrati, Luadli, Cassette, Anglarida, Zerafena, Pampeli and Ferrata.

Fifty-seven cardinals are here taking part in the preliminary conclave.

(By Henry Wood)

United Press Staff Correspondent  
 The Cardinals of the Sacred College today entered upon the solemn duty of selecting a successor to his Holiness Pope Pius X. These Princes of the Church walled up within the confines of the Vatican, will ballot among themselves until one of their number is elected to the papal throne, which the simple peasant Cardinal Sarto accepted only after pleading with all his heart that he be passed by. The Cardinals are supposed to be cut off from all outside influences and the most extensive preparations are necessary before the conclave can be held.

which the ballots are burned after being mixed with damp straw. It is by watching the chimney of the Sistine Chapel that the people of Rome believe they are able to tell when each ballot is taken by the smoke which arises. The votes of the electing ballot are mixed with straw and by the clear wisp of smoke the people watching below know that they have a new Pope.

At the entrance to the Chapel is placed the Cabinet in which reposes the white vestments in which the new Pope must be clothed the moment he is elected. In order to meet the physical dimensions of whatever Cardinal may be elected it is usually customary to keep in the cabinet vestments of three different sizes.

All of these preparations were made during the nine days of the funeral ceremonies of Pope Pius X. When the Cardinals and their suites enter the conclave after the oath is taken, pledges of secrecy are taken from the servants, maids and all others whose presence is necessary. The signal is given for the wailing up of the conclave. All corridors and adjoining rooms are inspected and the grand marshal seals up the doors from the outside.

The Cardinals at once divest themselves of their regular robes and put on a special dress, consisting of a hood cloak of violet buttoned down the breast. This is worn throughout the Conclave.

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Sold under the positive guarantee to refund the money, Hunt's cure has become the standard remedy for skin diseases. You run no risk in giving it a trial, because it is guaranteed. Ask your druggist.

**RANNELS COUNTY COTTON MORTGAGES**

With reference to the number of cotton chattel mortgages filed in Rannels County, and amount of indebtedness secured thereby the county clerk, after making a careful count and relation thereof has given out following statement which is explanatory:

August 22, 1914.

M. C. Smith, Ballinger, Texas.  
 Dear Sir:—I find there are 977 mortgages on the cotton crop in Rannels County for the year 1914, known by the records to date, amount these mortgages are secured, at date of their execution, aggregate \$145,334.46. These mortgages, in the main, also insure any additional indebtedness at might be contracted, which amount, as estimated by the banks and merchants who hold the mortgages, is 25 per cent, making the aggregate of indebtedness \$182,000.00.

It is estimated that these mortgages cover about 10,000 bales of cotton. It is also estimated that the cotton acreage of Rannels County, for 1914, is 100,000 acres.

Yours very truly,

**O. L. PARISH,**  
 County Clerk.

Gene Gressett left Monday at noon for Paint Rock and will go out near that place to do some repair work on a silo for Higginbotham-Currie-Williams Co.

Mrs. Moore and two children, of Chilicothe, who had been the guests of Mrs. R. B. Creasy and family the past week, left for their home Monday at noon.

Miss Myrtle Remick, of Winters, who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stocks, Sr. and family, returned home Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Geo. Spidell of Winters, was among the visitors in Ballinger between trains Monday.

Col. Morgan Jones of Abilene, was looking after business interests in Ballinger between trains Monday.

Dr. W. A. Gustavus left Monday afternoon on a short business trip to Winters.

**TO OUR FARMER FRIENDS:**

Anticipating the great need of this country for farm labor, especially cotton pickers, we placed an ad in The Dallas News and Houston Chronicle and we are receiving good results.

If you want cotton pickers or farm hands write, phone or come and tell us just which you desire, and whether you want single men or families. If families, how about house, wood and water. State plainly what you have and what you want.

We offer our services absolutely free, both to the farmer and the laborer, our only desire is to be helpful.

Very truly yours,

**FARMERS & MERCHANTS STATE BANK**

"FATHERS AND MOTHERS BANK"

"THE BANK THAT HELPS YOU DO THINGS"

**Labor Bureau Offers Free Service for Securing Hands**

The Young Men's Business League sent out a number of hands Sunday afternoon, having kept an open office practically all day for receiving applications for help and giving information. Secretary Ed Boler and Demonstration Agent McLelland are co-operating in handling the work, and their services are free to the farmers. They are keeping a record of those wanting hands, and when hands arrive at Ballinger, they should go to the Business League office where they will be giving the desired information and assigned to good jobs. Farmers do not have to pay a bonus of so much per head when they deal with the Young Men's Business League.

It is very probable that some action will be taken by our citizens to help store the cotton crop. However, the farmers should not depend too much on the business men to handle the big crop without their assistance. It is a momentous question, and the biggest problem that ever confronted the Southern farmers and business men. We have the crop, and it is up to the people to stand together and see that it brings the money that the South is entitled to.

**ROOMS FOR RENT**—Nice rooms within block of business district. Phone 263. 31-3tdpd

Haywood Miller and little son, of Talpa, had business in Ballinger between trains Saturday. Mr. Miller bought a bunch of horses while here and had them driven through to his place.

Tom Routh, who has been at Milano during the summer, came in Sunday night. He spent several days at Galveston before returning home.

Joe Ostertag left at noon Monday for Rowena where he will take charge of the Rowena gin as manager the coming season.

W. H. Arnold of Winters, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

H. Clemens of New Braunfels, came in Monday at noon to look after his large land and business interests in our county for a few weeks.

M. F. Watson of the Hatchel country, had business in Ballinger between trains Monday.

Calvin Trammell of the Norton country, was supplying in Ballinger Monday.

**Proof In Your Own Hand Writing.**

That's what you should have when you disburse funds for any purpose. It's not the part of business wisdom to depend upon the memory or receipts for a record of money paid out.

When you write out your personal check on the Ballinger State Bank & Trust Co., a record is made in your own hand writing that is dispute-proof. It is always more business like to pay by check.

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Listen! When you order a suit or overcoat from C. C. Gilliam, the leading tailor, you take no chance whatever. I have had 10 years experience at this business and know that I can please you in every respect. As to the workmanship and woollens I claim to have the best selection in Ballinger.

Prices range from \$15 to

\$50, workmanship is the best in the U. S. Come in and select that fall suit or overcoat today for delivery at any time to suit your convenience.

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PHONE No. 2

**C. C. Gilliam**

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Ballinger, Texas

## Left Wing of French Army Is Strained

By United Press  
PARIS, Aug. 31.—Fighting is in progress all along the northern frontier.

"The Germans are utilizing all their immense resources to break back the allies' defense.

"Our position is now stronger than at any time since the movement toward Paris of the German troops.

"Our forces in Lorraine are certain to advance."

This was the announcement made at the French war office this afternoon.

It shows that the Kaiser is staking everything on reaching Paris by demolishing the French left wing.

There is a mis-spelled word some where in our ad. elsewhere in this paper. All ladies who find the word, correct it with pencil and bring the corrected clipping to our store, Thursday between 2 and 6 o'clock will be given in exchange 50 cents worth of perfume absolutely free as long as the supply lasts. E. F. ELDER & SON, 3td

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## Austrians Routed By Russians In North Galicia

By United Press  
ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 31.—The Russian army smashed thru the Austrian left wing Samosco, in Northern Galicia.

It was declared here that the Austrians were routed with enormous losses. The Russians took thousands of prisoners and many guns.

The Cossacks are pursuing the Austrians.

Polish soldiers in the German ranks and Slavs in the Austrian army have been reported to have mutinied.

The war office here announced

that the Russians are advancing and "overcoming unusually stubborn resistances."

Konigsburg is Eastern Prussia is reported to have fallen before the Russians but this may refer to the town. The forts are probably still held by the Germans.

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## TEXAS CROPS 79 PER CENT NORMAL

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 31.—The monthly crop bulletin issued today stated that the condition of crops over the United States was 78 per cent normal. This is nearly two per cent better than the bulletin of July.

Texas crop condition stands 79 per cent perfect while Louisiana is 76 per cent normal.

REBECCA LODGE MEETS 4:30  
The Rebecca Lodge will meet Tuesday afternoon at four-thirty instead of eight o'clock as heretofore. All members will please take notice.

If you sit in a cool draft when you are heated and get stiff neck or lame back, you will be looking for something that will ease the pain. Fix your mind on Ballard's Snow Liniment and don't be talked out of it, because it is the best pain relieving liniment you can get anywhere. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

T. J. Bryant brought in the second bale of this season's cotton late Saturday afternoon. Bryant lives on the Chas. S. Miller farm east of the city and also the man who brought in the first bale this season.

In every home where there is a baby there should also be a bottle of McGee's Baby Elixir. It may be needed at any time to correct sour stomach, wind colic, diarrhoea or summer complaint. It is a wholesome remedy, contains no opium, morphine or injurious drug of any kind. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

John H. Webb of the river country, and J. D. Maxwell and Lynn Stokes, of the Dry Ridge-Rowena country, were among the business visitors in Ballinger Saturday afternoon. Mr. Webb and Preston Dunn shipped out a car load of melons east late Saturday.

**Stop That Rheumatism.**  
Get a bottle of Hunt's Lightning Oil. This is the remedy that everyone is talking about because it stops the pain so quickly. For neuralgia and headaches there is nothing better. Ask your druggist.

### CITY MEAT MARKET

We always handle the very best meats of all kinds that the market affords, and your orders promptly attended to at all hours. We will buy your stock and hides from you at top prices, when you have anything to sell. We guarantee first-class meats and we handle the same in a sanitary way. Your orders appreciated. City Meat Market, Telephone 185 STANLEY CAMERON, Prop. dwtf.

To be healthy keep the bowels active and regular. Herbine will remove all accumulations in the bowels—they are torpid. The fault lies with the liver and bilious impurities in the blood and remove all accumulations in the bowels and put the system in prime condition. Price 50c. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Gustavus returned home Saturday afternoon from Dallas and other cities in that section where they bought goods for their racket store. They also visited relatives and friends at Frost, and Corsicana, while gone.

If your child is pale and sickly, picks at the nose, starts in the sleep and grinds the teeth while sleeping, it is a sure sign of worms. A remedy for these parasites will be found in White's Cream Vermifuge. It not only clears out the worms but it restores health and cheerfulness. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by the Walker Drug Co.

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C. C. Gannaway left Monday morning for Norton to look after his farming interests a few days.



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