TEN YEARS AGO WORLD WAR STARTED, WITH EUROPE A MAD-HOUSE AND AMERICA CALM

Austria, Assured Germany Was Standing Back Of Her, Opened Fire On Belgrade—Slavs Stirred By Action And Kaiser Moved Against Russia.

Baltimore county, like the rest of the State and nation, was at fever's pitch; ten years ago the first of this week, for the World War actually began. Europe was a mad-house. The United States was calm. The fire had broken out in the Balkans. Many another war had started there only to be extinguished without involving this country in any way. For days it was thought the big "powers" of Europe would not permit the fighting to become general.

The old diplomacy was having its fling. The wires were humming between St. Petersburg and Berlin, and Vienna and London, and Paris and Rome. Old hatreds were fanned into flames. Led, or misled, by their statesmen the peoples of half a dozen countries were parading and declaring for war. It came. The most destructive of human history.

Five years and more have passed now since hostilities ceased, but the peace has not yet been established. The scars and the after-war loneliness can never be erased or forgotten.

The war became in the end a "war to end war," but the unrest continues. The Russia that was has been wiped from the map. Germany, which ten years ago was proudly seizing the sword, is virtually the ward of the world. Austria was smashed beyond self-help and has had to lean heavily upon the League of Nations. France still is crying out for revenge and protection. England and the United States are burdened with what would have been thought ruinous debts ten years ago.

Yet many of the tragic events that led up to the catastrophe have been lost to memory.

Historians have fixed July 30, 1914, as the time that hope of peace in Europe fled. Then the sabers began to rattle. Austria, seeking vengeance for the assination of her Crown Prince, was bombarding Belgrade, but there was no return fire. Berlin said that it was an affair for Austria to settle. Berlin also said she would stand by Austria. The Serbs could not stand the strain. St. Petersburg said war was inevitable and started to mobilize. The Kaiser gave the Russians 24 hours in which to stop. Germany and France moved toward mobilization. The British fleet sailed under sealed orders.

A great crowd gathered at the Palace in Berlin. The Kaiser appeared at a window to acknowledge the demonstration of 250,000 persons.

"War would demand of us enormous sacrifices in property and life," he said, "but we should show our foes what it means to provoke Germany, and now I commend you all to God. Go to church, kneel before God and pray to Him to help our gallant army."

By August 1 the censorship had closed in on Europe and the United States began frantic efforts to get its 100,000 tourists out of the possible theaters of war. Russia sent no reply to the Kaiser's demand for her explanation for mobilizing her forces.

The Stock Exchange in New York was closed. The small nations of Europe scrambled into mobilization to maintain their "neutrality." Paris sent out official word that she was calm.

On August 2 came the crash. Germany declared war on Russia. German patrols near the Russian border were fired upon. France was electrified into action. France was in alliance with Russia. Great Britain was the third member of the Entente, but there was much opposition in England to her participating in the war. The Kaiser signed his general mobilization order and the German war machine which was to surprise the world rolled into action.

Poincare, who has just laid down the reins in France, ordered the French mobilization, but insisted France was not yet at war. Germany seized Luxembourg, the central state between them and Paris. There was no surcease after that. Next day Germany demanded free passage through Belgium in order to attack France. Germany was striking on two fronts. She hoped to subdue France quickly. Russia was thought to be her strongest foe. August 3 Germany declared war on France. Belgium fought to maintain her neutrality and held the Germans in check long enough for France to get her guns ready.

With the invasion of Belgium Great Britain declared war on Germany. The death grapple that was to last nearly four years and a half had begun. Or was it ended until the United States threw the strength on the side of the Allies after nearly three years of fighting hostilities.

Yet there are plenty of statesmen who say today the world has learned nothing; that there will be another war when the devastating agents of the last one have worn a little more away.

ESSEX TO HAVE LAUNDRY.

Articles of incorporation of the Essex Laundry Company were filed at Towson. It has authorized capital stock of $50,000, and the incorporators are William B. Wolf, Jas. E. Matthews and Chas. C. Sadloch.

"OLD RESIDENTER" OF COUNTY SEAT IMPROVING.

J. Dixon O'Dell "Towson's grand old man," who is ill, is in a much improved condition.

HERD OF T. HOWARD PRICE LEADS IN BUTTERFAT PRODUCTION FOR JULY.

The highest cows in butterfat production of five herds in Baltimore county for July are as follows: T. Howard Price—Holstein, first; Janon Fisher—Grade Guernsey, second; Laban Sparks, Grade Guernseys, third; H. M. Canoles—Reg. Holsteins, fourth, and Harry A. Matthews, Grade Holsteins, fifth.

TOURNAMENT AT MY LADY'S MANOR AUGUST 23RD.

Mr. Thomas Dye Cockey is handling arrangements for a tournament to take place on the farm of Mrs. Anna R. Cockey on August 23rd.

LUTHERVILLE VOL. FIRE CO. TO "STAGE" CARNIVAL.

Under the auspices of the Lutherville Volunteer Fire Co. a lawn fete and carnival will be held on Friday and Saturday evenings, August 22 and 23. The affair will be held on the York road adjacent to DeMoss' store.

TO ENTERTAIN AID SOCIETY.

Mr. B. R. Benson will entertain members of the Ladies' Aid Society of Jessop M. E. Church, Cockeysville, at its August meeting.

AFFAIR AT MY LADY'S MANOR AUGUST 16TH.

On Saturday afternoon and evening, August 16th, the Ladies' Aid Society of Cyanmatira M. E. Church, My Ladys' Manor, will hold a bazar and chicken supper.

TOURNAMENT AND PICNIC IN 2ND DISTRICT SATURDAY.

On Saturday next, August 16th, a tournament and picnic will be held at Fieldstone for the benefit of St. Athanasius' Church, Granite.

MT. PARAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BEING RENOVATED.

Pending completion of interior renovations, Mt. Paran Presbyterian Church is closed indefinitely. Until the work is completed services are being conducted in the church lecture room.

FORK WOMAN HOSTESS.

Mrs. W. Carlton, of Fork, had as recent guests Mrs. Lucy Gribble and family, and Miss June Aury.

VIRGINIANS VISITING IN COUNTY.

Mrs. Archer Mumma, of Fork, has had as her guests Miss Nettie Detamore and Mrs. L. Wood, of Charlottesville, Va.

HARRISONVILLE CHURCH TO HOLD PICNIC TODAY.

Today (Saturday) the annual picnic of Holy Family Carmelite Church at Harrisonville, will be held.

PARKTON SCHOOL TEACHER RECOVERING.

Miss Mabel D. Stiffler, a school teacher, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, is recovering rapidly at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Stiffler, of Parkton.

STORK VISITS WALKER'S COUPLE.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson, near Walker, recently, leaving a bouncing baby boy.

BILL FILED AGAINST FRED. INSLEY AND WIFE.

Andrew Selig and Edward Selig, co-partners, trading as A. Selig and Bro., and Wm. Stoemer have filed a bill in the Circuit Court at Towson against Frederick Insley and wife, and Louis Reis and wife, to enforce payment of a claim against a house partially erected on property purchased by Insley and wife from Reis and wife and to restrain the tearing down of said building. Attorneys M. C. Anglemeier and Wm. R. Duncan appear for complainants.

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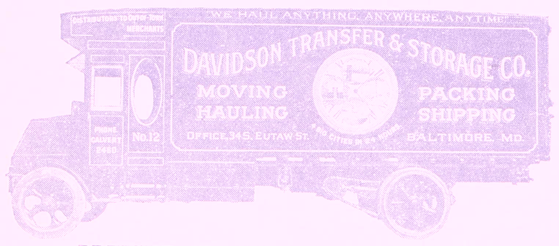

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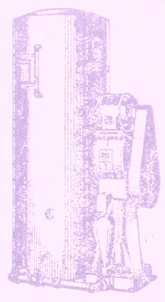
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