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"GAZETTE" AND THE  
HOW THE CURRENT OF WORTHING'S  
SPECIAL FORCES ENRO  
MANY SOCIAL EVENTS POSTPONED

HITHERTO the Head of the German Empire has been regarded in the light of a theatrical Monarch, but recent events have revealed him to us as a reckless military despot who has criminally disturbed the peace of Europe, and has precipitated a conflict the magnitude which no man can yet perceive. It is now made perfectly obvious, in the light of all that is made public, that "The Day" has been no mere figurative Teutonic expression, but has been deliberately planned. But already it is made clear that there has been a woeful miscalculation, and our confident hope is that with the immense forces now arrayed against the self-glorious Ruler of the German people an end may be put to the system of vast armaments that has been gradually built up, and that the nations of Europe may pursue the paths of industrial peace.

The Government and the Executive Departments which control our Army and our Navy have acted in a manner which inspires the most complete confidence; and the statesmanlike speeches of Mr. Asquith and Sir Edward Grey, the former of whom has so emphatically and so unreservedly denounced the "infamous proposal" of Germany, will become historic. In the actual field of battle the conspicuous valour of the Belgian Army and the successful entry of the French Troops into German territory are the two most notable features of the initial stages of the campaign, and news of a still more significant character may be expected, according to the experts, before the present week is out.

The GAZETTE is supplying the townspeople daily, Sundays included, with a full supply of reliable War news, and it does not attempt in these columns to present a record of events in the great theatre of operations. Rather does it apply itself to the publication of all matters of local concern, supplemented by illustrations, and in the accompanying full record it will be seen what steps are being taken to care for the wives and families of men who are now devoting themselves to the service of their country, the means adopted to strengthen the civil power in this time of emergency, and the way in which the public may help to continue the current of trade in our midst.

"GAZETTE" AND THE NEWS.  
Supplying the Public.

Remarkable Scenes in Chatsworth Road on Sunday Night.

REALISING the keen desire that exists on the part of the public to learn the latest news of the great conflict now in progress on the Continent, the Proprietors of the GAZETTE have entered into arrangements with the Central News Agency, which is famous for its promptitude and reliability, to supply it with a special service every day, Sundays included.

For the present the bulk of the messages are received by us about noon and ten o'clock at night, but it is obviously impossible to fix a precise time, owing to the extreme pressure on the telegraph and telephone, which occasions delay that will be seen to be quite unavoidable in the circumstances.

**A Convenient Arrangement.**  
For the general convenience the Proprietors are now exhibiting the news outside their Chatsworth-road Offices, instead of at their commercial headquarters in Chapel-road, and the altered arrangements are such as to commend themselves to the public.

On some occasions, when more than ordinary difficulty of communication has been experienced, people have waited patiently in the street as late as one o'clock in the morning; but with the smoother

facilities which we are now providing to observe three things: To give us generously as their means admit: to re-

Patheing, J.P.), the Rev. Prebendary Ferris, the Rev. S. S. Farrow, Mr. H. Hargood, J.P., Councillor Ernest Ellis (Chairman of the Band Committee, who have contributed a very liberal sum to the Fund), Alderman F. G. Linfield, J.P., Alderman James White, and the Town Clerk (Mr. J. Kennedy Allerton).

In the body of the Hall were a number of representative people of the town.

**Methods of Organisation.**

The Mayor, having explained the object of the meeting, said that a circular letter had been received from the Local Government Board with reference to the methods of organisation, stating that in every town with a population of more than 20,000 it would be expedient to administer their own Fund, whilst in other cases the Chairman of the County Council (in the case of West Sussex the Duke of Richmond would act) would be responsible for the calling of the meetings to administer the funds that were obtained. So that in Worthing they would be responsible for the administration of the Fund without interference from the County Council, the Chairman of which body was calling a meeting for to-night. The President of the Local Government Board felt sure of their assistance in the matter, and that they would take immediate steps to relieve those who might be in need. It was important that some members of the Committee should be

**Women.**

so that they could go into the houses and see what was really required. Then the Local Government Board hoped the local authorities would put in hand at once any work they might contemplate, so that they might find work, and he was sure that that might be left to the Town Council.

having our Navy ready for the fray.

Alderman PATHEING seconded, and other short speeches were made by Alderman WHITE (who asked the people to "give of your liberality, give of your charity, give of your 'forgetfulness'"), Mr. E. L. HADFIELD, Mr. E. ENOSON, and Councillor ERNEST ELLIS (whose announcement of the gift by the Voluntary Band Committee of £100 was received with applause).

**The First List.**

The motion was then carried and the following donations were announced.

	£	s.	d.
The Voluntary Band Committee...	100	0	0
Councillor ELLIS Chapman...	100	0	0
Alderman J. G. DENTON...	50	0	0
Mr. P. K. SCHWEDER...	50	0	0
Alderman PATER...	30	0	0
Alderman PATHEING...	30	0	0
Colonel NEWMAN...	25	0	0
Mrs. NEWMAN...	25	0	0
Worthing Gas Company (subject to confirmation)...	10	10	0

Mr. Walter Howell has offered to provide a hundred leaves of local a week as long as the War lasts. Alderman DENTON's offer is for £5 a week for ten weeks, and the Mayor's gift is of a similar nature.

The meeting then proceeded to appoint a Committee, and the following were chosen, with power to add to their number:

Aldermen E. C. PATHEING, J. G. DENTON, F. O. LINFIELD, G. BAKER, G. EWEN SMITH, J. WHITE, and W. WALTER (Councillors); H. OSWALD, H. T. DOBELL, E. A. BRACKLEY, E. ELLIS, J. F. WHYTE, W. G. TREE, and W. SAMS; Mr. A. G. LINFIELD, Miss WILGESS, and Dr. LUTON (Board of Guardians); Councilor ELLIS Chapman (Owlidrae's Care Society); Messrs. T. GALE, F. LONG, H. MAWBRING, G. SHERBY, J. W. LINDLEY, and GONNELLER & H. BRACKLEY (Friendly Societies); Colonel Sir DUNCAN JOHNSTON, Major PRICKETT, Mr. H. HARGOOD, Mr. F. MARTIN, Sir POLHAM WARREN, Lady de GEE, Mrs. GAY MICHILL, Mr. P. E. SCHWEDER, General HOBDAY, Mr. RODONSMITH, Mr. A. B. DIXON, the Editors of the local papers, and the Worthing representatives of two other journals.

The Town Clerk volunteered his services as Honorary Secretary, and they were accepted with thanks.

**An Immediate Start.**

Alderman PATHEING expressed the hope that there would be funds in hand to commence the relief next Saturday, and

The Mayor said it was hoped to start the necessary relief immediately. There were three hundred and sixty-five men gone from Worthing—a hundred and twenty Army Reservists, thirty Naval Reservists, a hundred and seventy members of the Territorials and Royal Field Artillery, and forty-five members of the Sussex Yeomanry.

**CITIZENS' PROTECTION CORPS**

**Its Object.**

To Assist in the Preservation of Order.

Convened by Mrs. Gay Michell, after consultation with a few other residents, a largely attended and enthusiastic public meeting was held at Mitchell's Restaurant, in Chapel-road, on Wednesday evening to consider what local measures should be taken in the event of certain possibilities in connection with the War, and incident-

EAGER FOR THE LATEST NEWS.



CROWD BEGINNING TO ASSEMBLE IN CHATSWORTH ROAD.

[From a "Gazette" photo.]

member that even the copper coins of poor but sincere patriots are as welcome as the who would be happy to deal with the suggestion. Several of their townsmen, he



painfully in the street as late as one o'clock in the morning; but with the smoother working of the arrangements there is not likely to be so great a demand upon their patience.

Sunday's experience was a really remarkable one. The news which we were in a position to publish at midday, proclaiming the great French victory on German territory, made the townspeople extremely anxious to gain further details.

There was a constant stream of people along Chatsworth-road throughout the afternoon and evening, whilst at night an immense crowd assembled outside our Offices.

**Patriot's Enthusiasm.**

The news which we were then able to give them, both confirming and amplifying the intelligence which had reached us earlier in the day, was received with positive enthusiasm, which found expression in the singing of the National Anthem and hearty cheers for the Belgians and the French, whose brilliant military qualities formed the subject of animated conversation.

It was a most enthusiastic but markedly orderly crowd, and its assembly provided a spectacle of a kind which Worthing has never before witnessed on a Sunday in the whole course of its history.

**WILL YOU HELP?**

The news which is supplied by the GAZETTE is being given perfectly gratuitously, and it has been represented to the Proprietors that those who avail themselves of the information which is being given would be glad to show their appreciation in a practical form.

For ourselves we desire nothing more than a friendly appreciation of the fact that at a time of great national stress and strain we are endeavouring to discharge a duty of some considerable importance to the community at large; but as we are anxious that the present opportunity should be as productive as possible, we readily assent to the suggestion that has been made to us, and shall be glad to receive

**Contributions Towards the Fund**

which was duly inaugurated by the Mayor on Monday night, as described below.

The money may be paid to us direct, at our Chatsworth-road Office, or it may be placed in the letter box at the same establishment; whilst, commencing this evening, we shall circulate a collection box. May we ask all who take advantage of

similar that even the copper coin is poor, but sincere patriots are as welcome as the more substantial contributions of those more liberally endowed with this world's goods; and to beware of unauthorised collectors, who may possibly be disposed to take advantage of the situation.

**FOR WIVES AND CHILDREN.**

**Local Aid**

**Magnificent Response to the Appeal For Money.**

**Generous Individual Contributions.**

The Town Hall was filled to overflowing on Monday evening, when a public meeting

was held to consider what steps should be taken to relieve the distress consequent upon the War. The Mayor (Alderman R. Piper, J.P.) had convened the gathering, and throughout the proceedings the greatest enthusiasm prevailed. During the evening some very generous offers of help were made, the keenest desire being evinced to help the wives and dependents of those who have gone forth to serve their King and Country. The Mayor presided, and supporting him were the Deputy Mayor (Alderman E. C.

Rich and Poor would contribute according to their means.

**ON THE EVE OF DEPARTURE.**



**YEOMANRY ASSEMBLY IN GRATWICKE ROAD.**  
*(From a photo by Messrs. Edwards and Son, New-street.)*

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Mr. H. HARGOOD moved the following resolution: "That a Fund be raised in Worthing for the relief of the wives and families of those men who have joined the Colours, and for alleviating the distress generally consequent on the War, and that a Committee be formed for the purpose of administering the Fund." In doing so he paid a warm tribute to the efforts of the Cabinet to keep peace amongst the nations. We had to be thankful, too, he said, to Mr. Winston Churchill for

in connection with the War, and incident-

**THE NEW ALIENS ACT.**

**ALIENS REGISTRATION ACT, 1914.**

All Germans are requested to register themselves with the Superintendent of Police at Worthing.

**COPY OF THE LOCAL NOTICE.**

ally the formation of a Citizens' Protection Corps.

The Mayor (Alderman R. Piper, J.P.) took the Chair, and in view of the crowded character of the meeting a suggestion was made at the outset that the proceedings should be adjourned to the Town Hall, but inasmuch as that building would not have provided much more accommodation, it was wisely decided not to make any change.

In the course of a brief introductory speech the MAYOR observed that he was sure they had

**Every Confidence in the Government.**

It was not very often he did agree with the present Government—old Tory as he was—but he candidly confessed that he did not think any Government could have done better work than the present one had done in the circumstances. They had done their utmost to prevent war spreading, and now that the country was at war he had no doubt they would do all they could to bring it to a successful issue (hear, hear). They had already taken steps with regard to the currency and to the food supply, and what was wanted now was for the townspeople to keep their heads and be as optimistic as they could. There would, no doubt, be some distress in the town, and it would be their duty to look after the families of the men who had left Worthing to join the Flag. Also when the time came money would have to be found to

**Relieve Distress.**

but there was no occasion for them to go round looking for distress (hear, hear). His Worship also strongly deprecated the laying in of large stocks of provisions, pointing out that this only led to



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Wednesday, August 12th. 1914

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THE NEWS.

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raise prices, with the result that the poor, who lived from hand to mouth, suffered most.

Colonel Sir DUNCAN JOHNSTON remarked that although they had nothing to fear in the present crisis, they ought to make proper arrangements beforehand, and not let difficulties which might arise catch them unawares. The object some of them had had in calling that meeting was the strengthening of the hands of the civil authorities by offering to help them if they required it. The difficulties of the Police, for instance, would be enormously increased during the War. The price of food was going up, and there would be a difficulty in finding employment. With a large number of people out of work and the means of

been in communication with the Chief Constable, and she had consulted the Police before calling that meeting. The local Superintendent had told her that he wanted all the help they could give.

Sir DUNCAN JOHNSTON reiterated that they wished to help and not to hinder or interfere with the Police.

In the course of the subsequent proceedings a working man in the meeting expressed the hope that the ladies present would refrain from buying up the food supplies. Otherwise, he said, the workers would have to go short (hear, hear).

The resolution was eventually put to the meeting and carried; and it was also agreed that Sir Pelham Warren, General Hobday, Sir Duncan Johnston, Major

MAN briefly addressed those who had offered their services, expressing the hope that it would not go forth that the peace of the town was being disturbed. Some of the members of the local Police Force were Reservists and had been called away on duty, and it was therefore necessary to augment the Force and supply their places. He had no hesitation in saying that Worthing was one of the most loyal places in England, and he was perfectly certain that it would loyally respond to any call that might be made upon it. Those present should understand that they were not likely to be called upon to perform any troublesome duties; but if any unforeseen emergency should unfortunately arise, he felt sure that Worthing could rely upon every one of them readily coming forward to do whatever might be required.

### The Form of Oath.

The formal process of swearing-in was then proceeded with, the number of those who were sworn in being about thirty. The actual form of oath was as follows:

"I, ———, do solemnly and sincerely swear that I will well and truly serve Our Sovereign Lord the King in the office of Special Constable in the parish of Worthing, without favour or affection, malice or ill-will, and that I will, to the best of my power, cause the peace to be kept and preserved and prevent all offences against the persons and property of his Majesty's subjects, and that while I continue to hold the said office I will, to the best of my skill and knowledge, discharge all the duties thereof faithfully according to law."

Professional and business men and representatives of the Police Force were among those who were enrolled.

### THE RED CROSS WORK.

#### Comforts For The Troops.

As President of the Sussex Branch of the British Red Cross Society the Duchess of Norfolk has issued a public appeal for aid for the sick and wounded during the War now in progress, and contributions either in money or clothing are asked for.

Mrs. Vowell, of Castillo, Beccles-road, the Honorary Treasurer of the Worthing Branch, is collecting locally, and will send any amounts to Captain Anson, Treasurer of the Mid Sussex Division, for use in the Division.

Mrs. Vowell informs the GAZETTE that arrangements for making comforts for the troops are in hand, and will be announced as soon as possible.

#### Special Local Appeal.

Writing to the GAZETTE, from Seaholme, Heene-road, Miss Cooper, the Quartermaster, says:

"In case of mobilisation the two local Women's Detachments may be required to furnish a hundred beds for a Temporary Hospital.

I am glad to say enough beds have already been promised, but many more sheets, blankets, pillows, pillowcases, &c.

### UNACUSTOMED SPECTACLE OUTSIDE THE KURSAAL.



SOLDIER WITH FIXED BAYONET ON DUTY.

[From a "Gazette" photo.]



feeding them limited they would have the elements of trouble, in addition to which there was always a floating population of undesirable characters. If the latter knew, however, that Worthing had made

**Thorough and Complete Arrangements** for dealing with them, they would go elsewhere. Sir Duncan went on to explain that there was no desire to gather in any young men who might be eligible to serve in the Army, Navy, or Territorials. He proposed that it was desirable to take steps to assist the Civil Authorities during the War by the appointment of a Civil Protection Corps or otherwise.

Major W. R. PRICKETT seconded. The Mayor was sorry he could not support this proposal, as he thought it would make the public think things were a great deal worse than they were. The Chief Constable was appointing a large number of Special Constables, enough to meet any emergency; and in the interests of the town he considered it better that Special Constables should be appointed by the proper authority than at a public meeting. He suggested that they should

Prickett, and Mr. J. Rodocanachi should be constituted a Committee, with power to add to their number.

**SPECIAL CONSTABLES ENROLLED.**

**A Ready Response.  
 Professional And Business Men Offer Their Services.**

It has been a subject of keen regret among those immediately concerned that the Force of Special Constables enrolled three years ago was not continued beyond the period of twelve months for which they agreed to serve. Those who are responsible for the preservation of law and order are now seeking to make amends for a number of residents came forward at a special sitting of the Bench at the Town Hall on Thursday to offer their services.

Mr. H. Hargood presided, and the other Magistrates in attendance were Alderman F. C. Linfield, Alderman E. C. Patching,

already been promised, but many sheets, blankets, pillows, pillowcases, towels (face and bath), counterpanes, and folding screens would be required, also mackintosh sheets, urinals, men's dressing gowns, and slippers.

I shall be glad to forward lists to be filled in on receipt of a postcard from any one who has not already had one.

Articles are asked for on loan, and where possible should be marked plainly with the name of the owner, so that they can be returned."

**HORSES FOR THE ARMY.**

**Local Purchases.**

**How Tradesmen Are Affected.**

A sight possible only at a time of war has been witnessed in the streets within the past few days. Imperative orders have been issued by the War Office for the purchase of a great number of horses in all parts of the Kingdom, and Worthing has been required to make its contribution to the number.

Acting upon instructions from London, Captain Prentice has directed the work locally, and the expert selection has been made by Mr. Percival Carter, veterinary surgeon; payment being made on the spot, and on a very just scale, all well regulated by the class of animal thus secured.

All sorts of vehicles belonging to local tradesmen, carts, vans, and waggonets, have been

**Stopped in The Street.** and the animals removed from the shafts for everything must give way to military necessities, whilst private stables have also been visited. In only one case have those who are entrusted with the purchase been met in anything but a patriotic spirit.

The purchases up to Saturday numbered about seventy, all the horses being ordered to be assembled at the Steyne School Playing Field in Brighton-road that afternoon.

Other horses are being secured, including some of the draught variety, and it is in the highest degree probable that the next demand of the Government will be for motor cars and other mechanically-propelled vehicles.

**HOW TO MEET THE CRISIS.**

**Calmness Demanded.**

**Patriotic Speeches at the Flower Show.**

Prior to the opening of the Summer Show of the Horticultural Society in the Steyne Gardens on Wednesday, Mr. H. Hanson, J.P., the President, in making a brief reference to the International situation, said they could meet that situation with confidence, because they realised that those who

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**TERRITORIALS ON THE WAY TO THE STATION.**



**MARCHING DOWN CHAPEL ROAD.**

[From a photo by Messrs. Edwards and Son, New-street.]

stay their hand for a few days, and give the Chief Constable time to do what he thought was necessary for the safety of the town.

**To Help, and Not to Hinder!**

Mrs. MICHELL explained that she had

and Councillor W. Sams. The duties of Magistrates' Clerk were discharged by Mr. Maurice Goodman, the former regular occupant of that position.

Prior to the formal enrolment the Chairman