

AUSTRIA DECLARES WAR UPON SERBIA AND IS RUSHING TROOPS TO THE DANUBE; GERMANY IN REFUSAL TO EXERT INFLUENCE FOR PEACE

GERMANY IS UNWILLING TO AID GREY PLAN

Suggestion of Mediation Conference on Servian Trouble is Rejected.

WAR WILL BE LOCALIZED

Austria Is to Have Free Hand in Chastising Servia Unless Czar Interferes.

London, July 28.—The announcement of the declaration of war by Austria-Hungary on Servia came today almost immediately after Germany and Austria had notified Sir Edward Grey, British foreign minister, of their refusal to join in the mediation conference. It is assumed here that the efforts of European nations will now be directed toward localizing the area of hostilities.

London, July 28.—The refusal of Germany and Austria-Hungary to participate in a mediation conference on the Austro-Servian conflict, the reports of rapid movements of Austro-Hungarian troops, and the persistent downward trend of the European stock markets were the outstanding developments of the European situation today.

Preparations for war proceed on all sides. Even England's battle squadrons have all been mobilized in readiness for eventualities and the publication of official news as to the movements of British ships has ceased. The first and second battle squadrons have taken on full war stores and are ready to slip anchor at a moment's notice. Destroyer flotillas around the coast have also been prepared, and armed guards have been placed around magazines and oil depots. Germany's reply to Lord Grey's proposal is regarded here as tantamount to a declaration of Germany's determination that Austria-Hungary shall have an entirely free hand in chastising Servia unless the Balkan kingdom accedes in full to the demands of the dual monarchy.

Apparently authentic reports current here assert that Russia has been given positive assurances that Austria-Hungary has no intentions of annexing Servian territory. If true, this might, it is thought, help localize the war should it break out.

Thus far there has been no official confirmation of the reports of hostilities having begun between Austria and Servia.

Actual Cause of Conflict.
The actual cause of Austria-Hungary's decision to enter upon a hostile conflict with Servia was the reply sent by the Balkan state to a note from Vienna demanding that Servia take steps to put a stop to the Pan-Servian propaganda on Austrian territory and also to punish the Servians indirectly concerned in the assassination in Bosnia of Archduke Ferdinand, heir to the Austro-Hungarian throne. The response of Servia was considered by the foreign office of Vienna "unsatisfactory" and "filled with a spirit of dishonesty."

In the meantime Sir Edward Grey took the initiative by requesting the European powers to permit their ambassadors at London to confer with him with a view to peaceful solution of the controversy. Italy and France consented, but Germany and Austria refused. Austria-Hungary in the interval had proceeded rapidly with the mobilization of a great army. Her entire railroad system is being utilized for the movement of troop trains and the telegraph system is being monopolized for government business and a strict censorship has been imposed.

Servia also had mobilized her forces and withdrawn her garrison at Belgrade to the interior as the capital occupied a position too vulnerable to be held. Every war office and admiralty of Europe was occupied in preparation for eventualities, even in the smaller countries such as Holland, Belgium and Switzerland. Then today came the formal declaration of war by Austria-Hungary, one of the members of the Alliance, the others of which are Germany and Italy.

Germany Rejects Grey Plan.
London, July 28.—The German gov-

Emperor Francis Joseph



The emperor of Austria has declared war on Servia and is determined to punish his small but troublesome neighbor for a long series of intrigues and insults that culminated a month ago in the assassination of the heir to the Austrian throne, apparently at the instigation and with the aid of Servian officials. The punishment of Servia may involve the emperor in a war with Russia as well and the long career of the aged ruler, which has been one of the stormiest in the annals of European monarchs, may come to a close amid the scenes of a European cataclysm more serious than that of the days of Napoleon.

FLOOD SWEEPS COLORADO TOWN

Cloudburst in Canon Sends Wall of Water Through Dam at Telluride.

Telluride, Col., July 28.—Two persons were drowned, 50 families were rendered homeless and 15 business blocks comprising a hundred buildings were partially wrecked late Monday night when a wall of water 10 feet high, originating in a cloudburst at the top of the range, descended through Corney canon, broke through the dam and flooded the town. The dead: MRS. E. E. BLAKELEY, MRS. JOHN JOHNSON. The damage is estimated at \$150,000. Several hundred residents are camped in public buildings. The town is still partially inundated, but the danger of a further rise is believed past.

ernment today returned an unfavorable reply to the British proposal for a conference of ambassadors of European powers in London, in an endeavor to bring about a settlement of the Austro-Servian difficulty. Germany declares the suggestion of Foreign Minister Grey was well meant, was good in principle but not feasible in practice and impossible to carry out. It says it cannot be expected that a great power having a dispute with a smaller neighbor will submit the matter to the decision of a European areopagus. Far less can it be hoped that two great powers will submit to be summoned in the role of accused before such a tribunal.

Make Counter-Suggestion.
Germany makes the counter suggestion that negotiations for peace be conducted between the cabinets instead of by a conference. Germany, however, is prepared to welcome any further suggestions to localize the conflict as far as they are consistent with her duty to her ally. The public in the German capital was very nervous today and alarmist rumors continued to circulate and the run on the savings banks in which the poorer classes have deposited their money was resumed this morning.

JEWELRY STORE ROBBER GETS 15 YEAR SENTENCE

Grand Rapids, Mich., July 28.—Walter Lawrence of Covington, Ky., was sentenced to 15 years in Marquette prison for participation in the robbery and triple murder at the Thomson jewelry store here last September. Lawrence had agreed to plead guilty to a charge of manslaughter. According to Lawrence, Lawrence Robinson, who recently committed suicide at Boston, while being tried for the killing of Inspector Norton, was directly responsible for the actual shooting of the three men.

WHEAT MARKET GOES WILDLY UP

Immense Expansion of Trade at Chicago Follows Austria's Declaration of War.

Chicago, Ill., July 28.—The renewal of the war tension gave the wheat market a decided lift today. An immense expansion of trade followed the announcement that war had been officially declared. In a few minutes prices were 2 1/2 cents above last night's close. Wild fluctuations ensued and the rise soon more than doubled.

News of the mobilization of the British battleship squadron came just before the last gong. The market closed wildly excited, September at 92 3/4, a jump of 9 cents, compared with the price of 24 hours before.

When traders closed it was estimated that business was being transacted at the rate of a thousand dollars a minute. Old traders declared nothing like the scenes had been enacted on the board of trade since May 1898, when Joe Leiter attempted to corner wheat and the price rose 14 cents in a few hours.

Milwaukee, Wis., July 28.—Great excitement in the wheat pit followed the declaration of war. September wheat advanced eight cents, but settled back on realizing.

Kansas City, Mo., July 28.—Wheat closed 5-3/4 higher.

New York, July 28.—Austria's declaration of war provoked a convulsive upheaval of the stock market all leading stocks showing maximum declines of from five to 20 points.

Montreal, Can., July 28.—The stock exchange was closed by the governor this afternoon because of the panicky conditions.

HEAVIEST GOLD SHIPMENT MADE

London and Paris Bankers Break All Records in Demands on America.

New York, July 28.—The liner Kronprinzessin Cecilie sailed today with six million dollars of gold consigned to London bankers and four million six hundred thousand to Paris. This is the largest single gold shipment ever made from America to Europe. The Carmania, which sails tomorrow, will carry about eight million in gold. Bankers laid the new demand for gold export almost entirely to the war scare in Europe.

AUSTRIA WILL NOT MEDIATE; TROOPS MOVE

Dual Monarchy Would Not be Satisfied Even if Servia Complied.

SERBS QUIT BELGRADE

Military Preparations Rushed With Feverish Activity at Forts in South.

Vienna, July 28.—Official notification of a declaration of war was sent to Servia by the Austria-Hungary government.

Vienna, July 28.—The foreign office declared today that even should Servia now comply with the demands in the Austrian note, the dual monarchy would not be satisfied.

Semi-officially it was announced that Austria-Hungary has decided to refuse Lord Grey's proposal of an ambassadorial conference of powers at London.

Expect War to Start.

Paris, July 28.—The Austrian ambassador to France said it is probable active hostilities between Austria-Hungary and Servia began this morning, but till 11 o'clock he had not received any telegram to that effect from Vienna.

Troops Move to Servia.

Berlin, July 28.—Reports from the Austrian border today state that the transportation of the Eighth and Ninth Austrian army corps from Bohemia toward the Servian frontier began yesterday and that there is no other traffic on the Bohemian railroads except troop trains.

The two corps consist of 32 battalions of infantry, a large number of quick-firing machine guns, six regiments of cavalry, two regiments of field artillery and two regiments of army service corps. Telegraphic service between Berlin and Vienna is demoralized and on some lines is completely interrupted.

Servians Expect Invasion.

Belgrade, Servia, July 28.—(By indirect route.)—Many Servian families have left the capital for the country districts in spite of the advice of the authorities, while there has been a great exodus of Austrians from Belgrade and other parts of Servia.

Military preparations are being carried on with feverish activity, and troops are being concentrated at fortified positions. The headquarters of the army has been established at Krageuska, but in the event of further necessity they will be transferred to Krushevatz, 99 miles southeast of Belgrade.

Germany Quizzes Roumania.

Rome, July 28.—Authoritative advice received here from Bucharest state that Germany has asked for positive assurances from Roumania as to her intentions in connection with the Austro-Servian situation.

Hungarians Enthusiastic.

Buda Pest, July 28.—A great patriotic demonstration broke out in the Hungarian diet today when their oral rescript was read proroguing parliament.

THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline and Vicinity.

Generally fair tonight and Wednesday; not much change in temperature.

Temperature at 7 a. m. 71. The highest yesterday 98; lowest last night 69.

Temperature at 3 o'clock p. m., .85. Velocity of wind at 7 a. m. 9 miles per hour.

Precipitation .09 inch. Relative humidity at 7 p. m. 76; at 7 a. m. 83.

Stage of water 7 feet, a fall of .3 in last 24 hours.

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Evening stars: Venus, Mars. Morning stars: Saturn, Jupiter, Mercury. The bluish white star southeast of zenith, high up is Vega of constellation Lyra and is, next to Sirius, the brightest star visible in this hemisphere.

Emperor Nicholas II



On the attitude of the Russian czar now hangs the peace of all Europe. The conflict between Austria and Servia has begun, but it is up to the czar to say whether this conflict will be localized or whether his own country as well as Germany, Italy, France and England are to be projected into the conflict. The German emperor, by refusing the mediation plan of Lord Grey and expressing a willingness to see Austria avenge herself on her weak neighbor, has passed the play up to the czar. Should Nicholas go to the assistance of the Serbs, as he has promised and threatened to do, the lowering war clouds will burst in a storm of death and destruction over all Europe.

FEDERALS MOVE AGAINST ZAPATA

Troops in Mexico City Reported by Funston to Have Taken Aggressive.

Washington, D. C., July 28.—General Funston reported today that the Mexican federal troops at Mexico City have taken the offensive against the Zapatistas and have driven them from nearby towns. He says there are 30,000 federals in the Mexican capital.

The deputies cheered for the king, the country and the army.

Servian Steamers Seized.

Nish, July 28.—The Servian steamers Deligrado and Moravia were seized today at Orsova on the Danube by Austrians and the passengers were detained for investigation.

Montenegrins Busy.

Vienna, July 28.—The Militaerische Rundschau reports active movements by both Servian and Montenegrin troops which are in close touch at Pribor, near the frontier of Bosnia.

German Fleet Concentrated.

Berlin, July 28.—The German admiralty today ordered a concentration of the German fleet in home waters.

Amnesty for Austrians.

New York, July 28.—The Austrian consul announced today that Emperor Joseph has granted complete amnesty to all Austro-Hungarian subjects who have deserted the army or emigrated to avoid military duty.

French Cabinet Confers.

Paris, July 28.—The German ambassador had a conference with Acting Premier Martin this morning and members of the cabinet were summoned to meet later in the day.

Italian Ships Recalled.

Glasgow, July 28.—Three Italian warships visiting the Clyde have been ordered to return immediately to Italian waters.

IRISH NATIONALISTS LAND 5,000 MORE RIFLES

Dublin, July 28.—A consignment of five thousand rifles for the Irish Nationalist volunteers was landed during the night on the coast county Wicklow.

FIRE VISITS STARVED ROCK

Two Acres of Trees Destroyed Before Flames Are Checked.

Ottawa, Ill., July 28.—The forest reserve section of the state park at Starved Rock narrowly escaped destruction by fire yesterday when sparks from an Illinois river steamer ignited the shrubbery. Two acres of trees were destroyed before the flames were extinguished.

ARSENAL GOLFER ENTERS TOURNEY

John D. Cady, Trans-Mississippi Champion, Totals 78 in First Day's Play.

Grand Rapids, Mich., July 28.—Runcie B. Martin of the Hammond County club flashed into the lead in the qualifying race for the western amateur golf championship at the Kent County club yesterday. The stockily built Hoosier golfer handed in the sparkling score of 72 in the elimination round of 18 holes, one stroke better than the 73 of Robert A. Gardner of Hinsdale and "Chick" Evans of Edgewater.

The field of 194 starters, who battled through all kinds of weather conditions during the day, at times driving through a terrific downpour, included more champions and former title-holders than have gathered for the western links classic in the history of the event.

G. S. Lyon, the veteran champion of Canada, landed well up in the list with a 75, tying with William Rautenbusch, the tall Garfield park man, for seventh place.

John D. Cady of Rock Island, champion of the Trans-Mississippi Golfing association, was entered, but failed to play up to his usual good standard. He went out in 38, in at 40, totaling 78. He ranks 33rd in the field, but still has a chance at the lead.

TRAIN HITS AUTO; FOUR ARE KILLED

Three Others Injured When Flyer Crashes Into Machine Near Chicago.

Chicago, Ill., July 28.—Four persons were killed and three injured last night when their touring car was struck by a north-bound train at Roger Williams avenue and the Northwest tracks at Ravinia on the north shore.

The automobile party was on the way from Highland park to Ravinia park.

Among the victims are believed to be Mr. and Mrs. Bullard, owners of the car; also their chauffeur, whose name was James.

Among the injured was Miss Alice Barler of 436 Arlington place, Chicago. Her recovery is doubtful.

The bodies of an elderly woman, a young woman and a man were taken to the morgue of C. G. Wenban at Lake Forest.

WOMAN HAS COLLAPSE AS CHENU TALKS

Cutting Analysis of Mme. Caillaux's Actions Too Much For Her.

JUDGE STOPS TRIAL

Parisian Playwright Scores Caillaux for His Reading of Calmette Will.

Paris, July 28.—The Caillaux murder trial started today with a speech by Edouard Seligman, one of the attorneys representing the family of Calmette. Madame Caillaux looked worn and ill when conducted into the prisoners' enclosure.

When M. Seligman concluded, Maitre Chenu addressed the jury, and his cutting analysis of the actions of Madame Caillaux on the day of the tragedy was too much for the prisoner. She collapsed and fell in a heap. Judge Albaladejo then suspended the sitting of the court.

Testimony Completed.

Testimony in the trial was completed yesterday.

While Henri Bernstein, the playwright, was giving his deposition yesterday, the applause and hooting caused such an uproar that Judge Albaladejo had the court cleared and suspended the sittings. As he progressed with his testimony the playwright abandoned all semblance of courtesy, addressing the former premier and husband of the prisoner as "Caillaux" without any prefix.

"We have just witnessed the French treasury committing a felony by appropriating a will and turning it over to Caillaux," he said. "Then we have seen ministers of state come here and declare in order to cover up their former colleague that diplomatic documents accepted with thanks by the president of the republic are forgeries. Either President Poincare is feeble-minded or his ministers have lied."

"M. Caillaux," M. Bernstein began when he first was called "stands on a coffin and makes a pedestal of it."

"But," interrupted Judge Albaladejo, "this is literature."

Comment on Calmette Will.

After the reading of the will of M. Calmette, which disposed of \$2,500,000, M. Caillaux said:

"We may well be astonished at the singularly rapid increase of M. Calmette's fortune. In our middle class families it would take 150 years for such a fortune to accumulate."

"I wish to draw particular attention to the clause saying: 'A greater part of the fortune I leave comes from a personal gift made to me by Mme. Boursin, it being understood that I paid her an income therefrom during her life.'"

"What do we gather from this will?" M. Caillaux continued. "First of all that the act of gift was executed illegally, which constitutes a testamentary fraud. How did Mme. Boursin, who inherited from M. Chénard, under conditions it were better not to dwell upon, from 40,000,000 to 50,000,000 francs, consent to give up 8,000,000 to M. Calmette? It has never been explained, but an explanation has been brought to me which I have despaired to use."

FRENCH IN RIOTS; DUE TO GERMANS

Violent Anti-War Demonstrations Are Made on the Boulevards of Paris.

Paris, July 28.—Violent anti-war demonstrations occurred on the boulevards last night. They were accompanied by the singing of revolutionary songs.

Large forces of police and mounted republican guards, under the direction of Prefect Hennon, frequently charged the crowds. Many persons were knocked down and injured.

The disorders were complicated by patriotic demonstrations. Several attempts were made to rush the cafes frequented by Germans, which finally were guarded by police.