Italy Declares War on Austria-Hungary THE OMAHA DAILY BEE Everybody Reads

the day's happenings every day. If folks don't read your store news every day, it's your fault.

VOL. XLIV-NO. 291.

OMAHA, MONDAY MORNING, MAY 24, 1915-TEN PAGES.

SINGLE COPY TWO CENTS.

JEALOUS LOYER IS SUSPECTED SLAYER OF SWANSON WOMAN

Letter Found Which Police Believe Murdered Girl Showed to Rejected Suitor.

POLICE INTERVIEW SUSPECTS

Woman Living in the House to the East Sees Girl Admit Man Just Before Noon.

LOCKS DOOR FROM INSIDE

Investigation of Chief of Detectives Maloney and his men into the killing of Ada Swanson, domestic in the residence of Joseph Sykes, 2023 Spencer street, Friday, has resulted practically in the elimination of all theories other than that she was killed by a jealous lover.

It is assuredly certain that Mrs. A. M. Dennis, 2017 Spencer street, about 11:30 o'clock Friday morning saw a clean shaven medium sized man wearing a soft black hat, blue suit, and light tan shoes enter the east gate, go to the rear of the house and ring the door bell. She thought it to be the same fellow that had visited there the Sunday before. At 12:15 o'clock Andrew Frederickson,

Strange Actions. the milkman, saw Ada Swanson take the bottles and place them on a ledge on the porch instead of taking them immediately to the icebox as was her unvarying custom. This indicated that she was evidently in a hurry and laboring under some mental excitement, the police believe, and also seems to bear out the theory that she had no fear of the man who was seen to enter the house or she would have asked the milkman for help. She wore a housedress when she came to the rear perch for the milk. The door opened to Frederickson was found locked Friday evening, and Chief Maloney believes it was locked by the girl after she had answered Frederickson's sum-

As no one actually saw the man "who came to fix the pipes" enter the house through the side door, and as this was found locked from the inside it is also the opinion of the authorities that this man in all probability did not get in, and the only person in the house with Miss Swanson was the fellow she admitted at 11:30 o'clock.

Letter is Found. letter purporting to be written the girl from a suitor living near Banningla, is believed to have led Miss Swanson to tell her visitor that she intended to marry the writer and that the aroused ealousy of the man caused him to folow her to the basement, when she went there to fix the fire and with the first weapon that same to his hand, killed

When the body of the girl was found in a manner proved that the fellow in the house was no stranger, as the girl would assuredly not have allowed a she completed her preparations to go

One of Miss Swanson's men acquaintances, Axel Lofgreen, was questioned by the police Sunday morning, but apparently convinced them that he knew little of the affair. He was dressed in a manner which tallied with that of the fellow described by Mrs. Dennis, but was not identified by her as the man she saw.

Struck by Jenious Suitor. Dr. Connell, city physician, who called to the Sykes' home upon the discovery of the killing, is of the same belief as the police. He thinks assault was the girl was struck down by a jealous sultor, who in a fremay lest his victim recover and give him away, struck her repeatedly about the head with the hatchet to assure himself that no such event should come to pass.

Photographs of the bloody thumb prints on the girls hose and limbs will be of little value, is the opinion of the detective department, after examining proofs of the same. It is more than possible that they were the outcome of handling the body upon its removal to the morgue.

Did Not Move After Fall. That the girl after being struck the first time and falling face forward to the floor of the coal oind, did not move or that her body wa snot turned over is apparent from the fact that the back of the shirt walst, which she wore contains absolutely no sign of coal dust Dr. Connell 'emphatically asserts his believe to this effect as evidenced by the even circle of blood about the body that here no trace of being disturbed by any movement.

The Weather

For Nebraska-Fair. For Iowa-Cloudy.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday



Local Record.

1915, 1914, 1913, 1913 Highest yesterday Lowest yesterday Mean temperature Precipitation

CROWN PRINCE AND ROYAL UNCLE-Visit of Prince Henry of Prussia to the headquarters of the Crown Prince, with whom he is having a confidential chat.



NEW BOARD VIEWS THE OMAHA PARKS BY BRITISH SUBSEA

prised at the Way Playgrounds Are Developed.

After taking a twenty-mile ride Sunday morning with Commissioner note issued tonight regarding the Hummel, through the parks and operations in the Dardanelles says along the boulevards, J. P. Connolly, that a British submarine has sunk she was dressed in street clothes, which member of the recreation board, de- two torpedo boats and two trans- held in all towns, the people acclaiming ple the size of yesterday's, swept and an inspiration. He had seen troops, stranger the freedom of the house, while Omaha in spots during his forty years of residence here, but this trip Churchill Bids His of seeing Omaha just now, dressed in spring grandeur, prompted a new

enthusiasm. Mr. Hummel, who is chairman of the recreation board, took the members of the new board out on an inspection trip, to give them first-hand information regarding the recreational centers which they will manage in the days to come. The itinerary started at the city hall

not the object of the murder and that things observed was a youngster swinging head down from a turning pole. Zoro D. Clark of the board said he felt like emulating the lad.

> he intends to recommend to the city coun- ministry cil that a bathing beach and tennis courts . It is expected that a privy council will Rome. be placed in the Riverview park. Mr. be held Tuesday, when the outgoing minbut believed that recreation features of to their successors. a more general benefit should first be established.

Another Bathing House. At the Carter lake bathing beach Mr. Hummel said he expects to erect another house for bathers this season, so that the men may have one building and the women another place. The present building is used by men and women, although there are separate rooms.

taking plunges.

exchanged for Nebraska territory near was as follows; Lake Manawa, action by congress per-

Dressing Room at Miller Park. During the visit to Miller park the creation board members watched the gold fish with much interest and surveyed all of the recreational activities. Among the improvements to be urged by the board will be dressing rooms for women and children who wish to bathe in the summer and for skaters in the winter

Golf at Elmwood.

A golf course in Elmwood park is A golf course in Elmwood park is German Spy Swore favor this improvement and if money will permit it will be started this season.

Members of the new board intend to make frequent trips to the various recreational centers and watch the young NEW YORK, May 23.-Records which the edium of having associated with him and old at play, that they may get into were regarded as tending to substantiate for so many years. real touch with the situation and be able the claim that Anton Kuepferle, who to act intelligently on their recommenda- committed suicide in London while on Roosevelt because they have given him tions to the council. The recreation board trial as a German apy was a United the verdict?" one of the correspondent's States is inviting war by its unprepared. for the first lumber were sent to the proposes and the council disposes, but States citizen, have been found in Brok-lasked. Mr. Hummel, being chairman of the re- lyn, it was learned today. The papers "I have so accustomed myself," said here today by President Arthur T. Hadley of lumber will be used and more than creation board and member of the coun- on file there show that he swore alle- Mr. Bryan, "to the position of neutrality of Yale. President Hadley is here atcil, believes the recommendations of the giance to the United States in Brooklyn that I do not like to make an exception tending the convention of the Western fifty men will be employed in the buildboard will find favor with the council. in 1912.

4 TURK SHIPS SUNK

Members of Recreation Board Sur- Two Torpedo Destroyers and Two Transports Sent to Bottom in Dardanelles.

HOUSE FOR THE SWIMMERS ONE BOAT LOADED WITH TROOPS

PARIS, May 23 .- An official

Colleagues Bye-Bye; Not in New Cabinet

LONDON, May 23.-The announcement is made that the British coalition cabinet is now definitely in process of formation. and the intimation is given that possibly Winston Spencer Churchill, who bade and the first place visited was Kountze partments of the admiralty, may not con- to do so, according to the Rome corpark. Entering the park one of the first sent to accept office in the new ministry.

The new ministers will then have to re-

sign and submit themselves for re-election, but no contests are contemplated.

Georgia Chief-Elect Discusses Frank Case Rome until his return.

MACON, Ga., May E.-Governor-Elect It is expected that this bathing beach Harris, in a statement here tonight, dewill be a popular place this seasop. Some clared that only Georgia's interests will of the more hardy swimmers already are be considered if the question of granting An observation made at the lake was before him. The governor elect's statethe idea of making an effort to have ment which he said was prompted by the just north of Coos Bay jetty today, and western slope. The visible rivers of mud some lows land and water in that vicinity reading of many letters in Frank's behalf tonight was considered a total loss. Its and lava were lost at the timber line.

side world will not be taken into con- ried no passengers. sideration one bit. It is entirely a Georgia matter and if I am to consider the case I shall considered it altogether from a Georgia basis, with the interests of Georgia and the interest of Georgia persons at heart."

Mr. Harris will take the oath as gov ernor on June 6.

Allegiance to U.S.

BORDER PATROLS CLASH FOR FIRST SKIRMISH OF WAR

Italian and Austrian Troops Meet in Mountain Pass Between Pont di Legno and Pejo.

AUSTRIANS CROSS THE BORDER

Alpine Chasseurs Meet the Rush and Drive Enemy Back to Own Territory.

PEOPLE WILD WITH WAR FEVER

ROME, May 23,-(Via Paris.)-The first engagement of the Italo-Austrian war occurred between Pont di Liegno and Pejo today.

An Austrian patrol crossed the frontier, but was attacked by Italian Alpine chasseurs and driven back over the border.

ON THE ITALIAN PRONTIER, May 22.-From end to end, Italy is in a state Boiling Wave Sweeps Countryside England, France and Russia, in of highest tension and expectation. On both sides of the Austro-Italian frontier there is a constant movement of troops and munitions of war. Railway, postal and telephone services have been cut between Italy and Austria and Trieste and

In Zara, Dalmatia, mysterious hands planted the Italian flag in the conspicuous towers of the city, and there were smoke clouds dropped from time to rigor of the authorities, the participants which circled Lassen Peak and curshouting in favor of Italy, These demonstrations were quickly suppressed by tained its summit. No violent erupmartial law, which prevails everywhere, tions were indicated. The civilian population has evacuated Pontafel. Pontebba and other places on the Austrian frontier and gone into Venetia.

Austriana Retire.

other which will start the conflagration old lava fields. and be the signal for the first hostile The entire valley was shaken by ian population. action between Italy and the central em-

that the Austrians have placed on the from this source is reported. Kaurst mountains three heavy cannon, ready to bombard Trieste in case of an insurection or an advance by the Italians.

Crowds All Eathusiastic ROME (via Paris), May 23,-Reports

Rumored Plot to Kidnap von Buelow

meet Austrian executioners.

PARIS, May 21.-Prince von Buelow reapondent to the Petit Journal.

It is almost certain, however, that A circumstantial story also is told by Jacent valleys are considered immune mass meeting, telegraphed late today that David Lloyd George will remain chan- the correspondent of a report current in from danger, unless the subterranean cellor of the exchequer, and that Reg- Rome that when popular agitation forces hurl rocks and lava over the natinald McKenna, the marquis of Crewe, against former Premier Giolitti was at ural barriers. A. J. Balfour, Andrew Bonar Law, J. its height, a-plot was formulated to kid-On the way to the municipal beach at Austen Chamberiain and the marquis of nap Prince von Buelow from his resi- were rushed from here to Cassel and Carter lake Mr. Connolly remarked that Langdowne will be included in the new dence, the villa Malta, but that the plan Round Mountain to pick up the refugee was abandoned when Signor Giolitti left women and children. Men mounted on

Hummel said he favored tennis courts, isters will hand over the scale of office thority for the statement that Prince them to the highlands to escape the mother-in-law, Donna Laura Minghetti, everything in its path. in the Villa Malta in the hope that the property will not be confiscated so long as it is occupied by an Italian woman. Three almost simultaneous and titanic He is said to have offered her the use of the villa from the time he leaves by two lesser ones. A tremendous fun-tower, another on outbuildings of the

Vessel Goes Ashore, But Crew Is Saved dwarfed to insignificant size.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., May 23.-The steam schooner Claremont went ashore a half-mile wide, were revealed on the "You can just say for Nat Harris that boats from the bar dredge Colonel P. S. haps being necessary to accomplish this. if the matter of dealing executive Michie, except one satior, who jumped of Lassen's overflow was rushing upon clemency to the condemned man is to overboard and was picked up by the them and they commenced a swift exedus be considered by him that the entire out- steamer Saginaw. The Claremont car-

BRYAN IS NEUTRAL IN ROOSEVELT-BARNES WAR

WASHINGTON, May 23.-When Secre tary Bryan was told of the verdict in the Roosevelt-Barnes case, he said:

had won it would have purged him of tured Silao, the Carranna base. the charge of being a boss and this would have relieved the ex-president of SEES DEFENSELESSNESS

"Do you sympathize then with Mr.

in this case."

AUSTRO-ITALIAN FRONTIER -- Austria so far has refused to give up the strip of land shown in shaded lines and known to all Italians as "unredeemed Italy."



FLEE BEFORE THE

and Whole Population of Valley on Run for Lives.

SIDE OF VOLCANO BLOWN OFF

REDDING, Cal., May 23.-Inky

BULLETIN. Austrian soldiers in the mountains of the eruption of Lassen Peak, has Zeitun and in all Cilici. the Ponte Caffaro district have effed been saved. The flood which fol- "The inhabitants of about 100 villages stordam. toward the numerous forts which protect the Austrian frontier. All seem to be vaiting with the keenest anxiety, it is said, for the spark from one side or the mud flow being carried out into the Ottoman government at Constantinople

a strong earthquake just previous to A report reaching here is to the effect yesterday's eruption. No damage Clouds hide the volcano this morn-

Peak burst into a new eruption late Presbyterian Report cree of mobilization is received everywhere with the greatest enthusiasm. Pro- lent since the mountain awoke one cessions and demonstrations are being year ago. Another flood of mud, triclared he had received a revelation ports, one of which was loaded with the king and wishing victory for the down the mountain side with three king and queen were carried through the steaming streams of lava in its wake. general assembly of the Presbyterian airs and war songs popular with their tidal wave. Thirty-six families, adopted the report of a committee

the avalanche of mud and boiling stead of the prison, the reformatory.

Rescue Parties on Way.

Cow Creek said that one side of the volcano had been blown off and toppled German ambassador at Rome, will not into the lake near the base of the crater, farewell to the heads of the various de- leave the Italian capital until compelled the water displaced adding to the flood. So far the volcanie flow has been confined to Hat Creek v: 'y and ad-

Fifteen rescue parties in automobiles horseback frantically rounded up cattle The Petit Journal's correspondent is au- and live stock and endeavored to drive von Buelow has installed his aged broad torrent of mud that submerged

Time of Eruption.

The sruption occurred at 4:30 p. m. bursts of smoke and steam were followed nel shaped cloud shot skyward to an out in a heavy pall almost as wide. The tve and virtually no damage was done

When the immense volume of smoke and ashes had lifted about the mountain's crest four blackened paths, each Italian Peasants By 5 o'clock the people of Hat Creek valley realized that the onsweeping tides Word was received that a spray of vol-(Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

Villa Troops Report Obregon Defeated

EL PASO, Tex., May 22.-An official "Well, it saves Mr. Roosevelt from the Villa bulletin received here late tonight payment of damages; but this is one of asserted that the Obregon army had those cases in which a victory either been defeated decisively below Leon. way gives some advantage. If Mr. Barnes The Villa troops were said to have cap-

OF U. S. INVITING WAR

KANSAS CITY, May 25-Ambassador association of Yale Alumni clubs.

ALLIES AVER PORTE LASSEN LAVA TIDE BACK OF ATROCHTIES

Joint Note, Say They Will Hold Turkish Government.

LIST OF HORRORS IS RECITED

LONDON, May 23 .- A joint official statement by Great Britain, been recalled. demonstrations of protest against the time today through rain clouds France and Russia, Issued tonight,

> Turkish population of Armenia have afternoon presented a formal declaians, with the connivance and help of Rajecz, the Austro-Hungarian for-REDDING, Cal., May 23 .- Hat the Ottoman authorities, Such mas- eign minister. Creek valley, which was threatened sacres took place about the middle with destruction late yesterday by of April at Frzerum, Dertshau,

is raging against the inoffensive Armen-

"In the face of these fresh crimes ommitted by Turkey the allies' governments announce publicly to the Sublime Porte that they will hold all members of agents as are implicated, personally re-

Discusses Treatment Of Violators of Law

ROCHESTER, N. Y., May 28.-The 127th It covered the countryside like a church in the United States yesterday airs and war songs popular with their Udai wave. Thirty-six families, recommending as a sequence the theory grandfathers and fathers in 1848, 1859, 1850 nearly the whole population of Hat of dealing with violators of the law and and 1896, or who climbed scaffolding to Creek valley, were reported tonight one in harmony with the law of Christ, a 22.-Frontier incidents were reto be fleeing for their lives before system which would make the court, in-

> of the denomination be directed to the encouragement of probation for casual of- crossed the frontier. A report from the power station at fenders and imprisonment for life of vicious and incorrigible criminals. The prison contract system was condemned and the honor system approved

It was recommended that the influence

by the assembly. have spoken tomorrow at a temperance he would be unable to leave Washington.

French Pass German Aeroplane in Disguise

over Paris at dusk this evening in an aeroplane disguised as a French machine Because of the disguise the French all scouts allowed it to pass the frontier, believing that it was one of their own

Flying high over the city, the German aviators dropped three bombs. One of the bombs fell in the Seine close to Eiffel Bon Marche store and the third in Rue estimated height of miles, and spread St. Charles, All three bombs were ineffectbig mountain, 10,000 feet high, was The German acroplane was driven off by a French machine.

Throng the Passes

GENEVA (via Paris), May 23.-Crowds mostly peasants of the Adige river valleys, are arriving afoot in the Engadine district in a lamentable state, after crossing the Bernine and Murettoz mountain passes, which are under a deep show.

ORDERS GIVEN TO START SPEEDWAY AT DES MOINES

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, Ia., May 33 -- (Special.)-Des Moines is assured a speedway and the first big racing meet will be held July 27 with a purse of \$10,000.

The Chamber of Commerce signed the contract with the Prince Speedway company today. One hundred and forty Des Moines men have bought the \$10 tickets which entities them to grandstand seats for any event on the speedway. Orners ness, according to the belief expressed mills Friday night. Ninety-six carloads fifty tons of nails. Two hundred and

WAR WORD GOES **OUT IN ITALY AND** TROOPS ON MOVE

General Mobilization of Men and Munitions is Taking Place in the Kingdom of Italy.

STATE OF HOSTILITIES ON TODAY Baron Maccio Gets Passports and He

> Will Leave at Once for Austria.

FORMAL DECLARATION IS MADE ROME, (Via Paris), May 23 .--

Contemporaneously with the issuance of a general mobilization order the Italian government tonight officially announced that it had declared war against Austria-Hungary.

The Rome Tribuna says that the state of war between Italy and Austria begins tomorrow, May 24.

Baron von Maccio, the Austro-Hungarian ambassador to Italy, was handed his passports at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon, the newspaper says, and will leave tonight or tomorrow morning.

The Italian ambassador at Vienna, the duke of Avarna Javarna, has

Declaration Passed On. LONDON, May 24 .- The Italian "For the last month Kurds and the ambassador at Vienna on Sunday been engaged in massacreing Armen- ration of war to Baron Burian von

This announcement is made in a Vienna dispatch to Reuter's Telegram company, sent by way of Am-

Vehicles Requisitioned. PARIS, May 22 .- A Havas dispatch from Rome says the king has also issued a decree requisitioning

all vehicles and horses for transport services. The Rome correspondent of the Havas Agency says that the Mesthe government, as well as such of their sagero's representative in Vienna

sends the following dispatch: "The Italian ambassador, the duke of Avarna, leaves today for

"Austria has asked the United States to take over the protection of Austrian subjects in Italy. The American government has transmitted instructions to its ambassadors in Austria and Italy."

Border Clashes Reported. BRESCIA, Italy (Via Paris), May ported today from several points where the Italian Alpine troops pursued Austrian soldiers who had

Barracks Blown Up. VERONA, Italy, May 22 .- The Austrian barracks at Rovereto, a town in the Tyrol with about 12,000 Secretary of State Bryan, who was to Italian inhabitants, was blown up to-

The police immediately placed under arrest many Italian citizens, although there was no evidence to show that the Italians were in any way responsible for the explosion

BULGARS WON'T ATTACK ROUMANIA IF IT FIGHTS

GENEVA, Switzerland, May 28.—The Journal De Geneve states that Vaseil Radoslavoff, the Bulgarian premier, has announced officially that Bulgaria will not attack Roumania if the latter enters

Free Coupon

Good for 25 cts. or 50 cts.

special arrangement with management for the benefit of Bee readers. Observe strictly the conditions and limitations stipulated in the coupon.

This Ree Coupon

Entitles Bearer to one 25c or 50c Seat For the performance of "Alias Jimmy Valentine"

Monday Evening, May 24. Present at Box Office any time prior to performance and get a ree admission ticket in addition to the ticket you buy at the regular price. You must have a Bee coupon for each extra ticket you ask for.

At the Boyd Theater,