

Diary of the War

JUNE.

June 28. Murder of Archduke Francis Ferdinand of Austria and his wife, the Duchess of Hohenburg, at Serajevo.

JULY.

- July 23. Presentation of Austria-Hungarian Note at Belgrade demanding complete submission of Servia within 48 hours.
July 24. Russian Cabinet Council decides to resist the subjection of Servia to Austria.
July 25. Servia's partial submission rejected by Austria.
July 28. Austria-Hungary declares war on Servia and Russia begins to mobilise.
July 29. Belgrade bombarded by Austrian artillery.
July 30. German ultimatum to Russia.

AUGUST.

- Aug. 1. Germany declares war on Russia and asks France her intentions. Luxemburg invaded by German troops. Italy declares her neutrality.
Aug. 2. Germany invades Belgium.
Aug. 3. British Navy completes mobilisation.
Aug. 4. Germany declares war on Belgium. War on Germany declared by Great Britain at 11 p.m., London time. Britain mobilises her army.
Aug. 5. Germans repulsed at Liège. German mine-layer Königin Louise sunk by British destroyer Lance. Lord Kitchener appointed Secretary of State for War.
Aug. 6. H. M. S. Amphion sunk by a mine and 132 lives lost.
Aug. 8. First British troops land in France.
Aug. 9. British cruiser Birmingham sinks German destroyer U. 15.
Aug. 10. Belgian field army retires from Liège.
Aug. 12. France and Great Britain declare war upon Austria. German cruisers Goeben and Breslau reach Constantinople.
Aug. 15. Japan demands evacuation of Kiao-Chau by Germany.
Aug. 17. Official announcement of arrival of British Expeditionary Force in France. Belgian capital removed from Brussels to Antwerp.
Aug. 18. Austrians defeated by Serbs near Shabatz.