ITALY DECLARES WAR ON TURKEY

Army of 40,000 Men for Tripoli and Navy Prepared to Crush Sultan's Feeble Squadron

NAVAL ENGAGEMENT FOUGHT IN ADRIATIC

Blockade of the Entire Coast of Tripoli Ordered—Decision of the Turkish Government Not to Oppose Landing of Troops at Tripoli—Reply to Italian Ultimatum Was Conciliatory and Dilatory—Popular Indignation Intense in Turkey—Martial Law at Constantinople—Threatening Unrest in the Balkan States.

Rome.—Official announcement was made at Rome that a state of war exists between Italy and Turkey, owing to the failure of Turkey to meet the demands of the Italian note presented. The Italian Cabinet decided to proceed at once with the measures previously determined upon for the occupation of Tripoli and Cyrene. Tripoli was occupied and the Italian flag is now flying over the government buildings there.

The first blow in hostilities between Italy and Turkey was struck when an Ottoman destroyer was sunk by an Italian cruiser in the harbor of Prevesa in the Epirus and a force landed on Turkish soil.

When called upon to surrender the town and garrison of Tripoli the Turkish commander there resolutely declined.

A large number of the inhabitants of Italy opposes the war and many were shot down while making public demonstrations against it.

The Turkish squadron, which was lying off Beirut, sailed for the Dardanelles, thus practically placing it at the mercy of the Italians.

The Italian ultimatum is generally approved by the Vienna press, though some journals think Italy has acted overhastily. It is felt that Austria-Hungary should take no action in the Balkans except in conjunction with Czar Ferdinand of Bulgaria.

In Berlin Italy's action is generally censured, and it continues to be asserted that England is in reality responsible for the present crisis.

In Rome it is not believed that hostilities will beprolonged, and an early peace is expected.

Cable advices from Constantinople indicated that Turkey decided not to Albanian revolt in Turkey.

First Act of War.

Gen Garibaldi to take advantage of the situation and organize another Greece demanding that the latter withdraw all claims to Crete.

German press opinion is unsparing in condemnation of Italy's action.

The first act looking like actual war in the Italian campaign for the occupation of Tripoli was embodied in a demand for immediate surrender of that province by the Turks, following which the Italian naval commanders were under orders at once to land troops.

A reply was delivered to the Italian Charge d'Affaires in Constantinople, who was instructed to demand his passports because the reply was unfavorable to Italy.

Turkey sought for more time to renew her appeal to the European powers, meanwhile offering to take no action toward protecting Tripoli from attack. The Italian blockade of the African port wa complete, and no Europeans remained there except a handful of Turkish soldiers stationed among the native population.

The demands made by Italy for a virtual protectorate said that continued disorder in Tripoli must yield to progress and colonization. The fleets of Italy are under orders to sweep the eastern Mediterranean to guard against uprisings of the Moslem peoples and reprisals against Europeans in the East.

The tacit consent of the powers to Italy's action rests upon that country's former acquiescence in the French occupation of Tunis, which approaches most nearly to the "heel" of Southern Italy. The Tripolian coast settlements have been sought by Italian colonists until trade in that quarter is largely monopolized by their nation.

The refusal of Germany to interfere constituted the final blow to the Sultan's claims to Turkish suzerainty in Central North Africa.

Italy in a Good Position.

The affair at Tripoli was but a reconnaisance, so to speak, the occupation in force being set for later. To assist in the act the cruisers Marco Polo and Vettor Pisani left Taranto with a squadron of torpedo boats under the command of the Duke of the Abruzzi, cousin of King Emmanuel.

MAP SHOWING PROXIMITY of TRIPOLI to ITALIAN and TURKISH PORTS...

A Vienna dispatch says that Turkey proposes to present a note to resist the landing of the Italian forces, which, under the ultimatum, was to take place at once. Turkey's reply was conciliatory, but it was not expected by diplomats to avail. The Italian Cabinet declared it dilatory.

The Italian fleet has been ordered to maintain a close blockade of the Tripolitan coast and warships are also directed to watch the coasts of Albania, Macedonia, and Syria.

Public indignation against Italy in Turkey is described as intense. Constantinople has been placed under martial law, as a precaution against rioting. A change in the ministry is regarded as likely. At the same time it is reported from Italian sources that the Albanians are petitioning

At the moment of their departure the mine ship Minerva went ashore, but suffered only slight damage. She carries 150 topedoes, besides mines.

General Caneva will be accompanied with an expeditionary corps commanded by General Birccola and General Count Geraldi. The first force to be dispatched will consist of 25,000 men and altogether 40,000 troops will be landed in Tripoli.

Regiments Leaving All Chief Towns.

From all the chief Italian towns regiments are departing every day for Palermo, Naples, Brindisi, Syracuse, Catania, Messina, Taranto, Genoa, Ancona and Venice, where they will be embarked in transports. The warships will convoy the transports to the Tripoli coast, and this army will be established in Tripoli.

BRITISH TORPEDO SECRET OUT.

Has Projectile That Has Three Times American Range.

Washington.—The British navy is equipped with a torpedo said to be effective at 10,000 yards, or nearly three times the range of the most powerful projectiles now used in the United States Navy. This information was brought to Washington by an American naval expert who recently discussed developments in torpedo craft and the relative methods of target practice.

MAY CANCEL PRISON CONTRACT.

Dix Proposes to Abandon Wingdale Site and Pay $125,000.

Albany, N. Y.—After the State has spent over $300,000 for sites and plans for a new prison to take the place of antiquated Sing Sing, which was built in 1825, and is badly overcrowded, it is proposed to abandon the present site in Wingdale, Dutchess County, to abolish the Commission on Prisons, and pay the P. J. Carlin Construction Company of New York $125,000 to cancel its $2,196,000 contract

STATE CAPITAL CHAT

State Doctors Indorse Dr. Wiley.

The Medical Society of Pennsylvania ended its sixty-first annual meeting at the State Capitol, after Dr. James Tyson, of Philadelphia, the newly-elected president of the organization, had taken his place as the chairman. The society selected Scranton as its place of meeting in 1912, indorsed the work of Dr. Harvey W. Wiley as an enforcer of the pure food laws, and enlisted itself in the campaign to stamp out disease growing out of the social evil.

The closing session was marked by half a dozen papers on such vital subjects as the care of the insane and cancer, one of the exhibits in the latter series being a moving picture show of a stomach demonstrating the methods of assimilation.

One of the most notable papers of the meeting was by Dr. Chevalier Jackson, of Pittsburg, who described the manner in which a tack had been removed from the lung of a young woman who was suffering from tuberculosis. The tack was swallowed eleven years ago. The woman who was thought to be dying is rapidly improving in health.

Before the eye and ear section of the society, Dr. William Blair, of Pittsburgh, aroused general and complimentary discussion by a paper on preventable blindness. Dr. Blair declared that forty thousand persons in the United States were needlessly blind and that one-third of the cases were due to carelessness.

The work of the welfare department of the Carnegie Steel Company, at Pittsburgh, was given high praise by the speaker. He referred to the inclosure of emery wheels with glass, and the use of wicker work spectacles, and said that as a result of such preventive measures the number of eye accidents in an army of 34,000 men had been reduced to a minimum, hardly thought possible a few years ago. "What one concern has thought it possible to work out on a practical basis toward such a distinctly humanitarian end, I feel that the State should take as a starting point for legislation to the end that the adoption of similarly effective devices shall become mandatory in all branches of labor."

Several of the speakers referred to the new school code's provisions for medical inspection as steps in the right direction.

The delegates elected as trustees: Dr. William T. Staples, West Chester; Dr. Frederick L. Van Sickle, Olyphant, and Dr. A. P. Hill, Montgomery. The trustees re-elected: Dr. T. H. Davies, Pittsburgh, as president, and Dr. C. L. Stevens, Athens, as secretary.

Inspection Of Dairy Farms Begun.

State inspection of the dairy farms of Pennsylvania, which was placed in charge of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board a few months ago, was formally inaugurated by Dr. C. J. Marshall, State veterinarian, who has been assured of assistance and support from veterinarians and dairy owners in all sections of the Commonwealth. The plan is to have every veterinarian aid in the work of securing cleanliness in the surroundings and healthfulness in the cattle, it being recognized by the State officials that there are comparatively few dairies in the State that could be rated as excellent. The inspection will be in charge of State agents, under the appropriation made by the last Legislature to the board, and it is the idea to obtain the most complete data possible about every farm or dairy that is supplying milk to the public.

New Method In Distribution of Fish.

Adoption of new methods in the distribution of fish from the State's hatcheries was announced by State Fish Commissioner Buller, and hereafter all applications for fish fry will have to be made upon a new form of blank. These blanks are now being prepared and will be sent to all applicants as rapidly as possible. The idea in making the change is to obtain better results in the distribution. Applicants will be required to furnish complete information as to the locality where the fish are to be planted and the shipments will be followed up to see how the distribution is made, so that there will be a minimum of waste.

Attempt To Kill Game Wardens.

State Game Commission officials are investigating a report sent out from Fulton county, to the effect that attempts were made to kill four game wardens in Fulton county. The attacks were reported as made on wardens who were endeavoring to restrain hunters. Wardens Joseph Kennedy and Ralph Ross reported that in the woods of Fulton county near the State line, they had been fired on by a man named McCormick, a hunter who escaped into Maryland.

Governor Approves Pardons.

The pardons recommended by the State Board of Pardons were approved by the Governor. He also approved the commutations of Geo. L. Marion, Luzerne, and John R. Edwards, Cambria, who had been sentenced to be hanged.

Increase Stock to $1,350,000.

The Northumberland Gas and Electric Company, Sunbury, filed notice of increase of its stock from $5,000 to $1,350,000, and of an issue of bonds to amount of $2,700,000.

BIG WORLD'S SERIES

Expected to Be Most Strenuous in Baseball History.

Splendid Contests in Both Leagues Awaken Keen Interest—Athletics Almost Sure to Represent American League.

One prediction can be safely ventured at this time, and that is the world's series of 1911 will surpass in interest any ever played previously, no matter which teams win the pennant in the American and National leagues. The terrific fights in both baseball organizations for the championship have keyed the "fans" up to a sixty-horse power pitch of excitement and the series of games for the world's title is bound to reap the benefits.

At present it looks like a 50 to 1 bet that Connie Mack's Athletics will represent the American league in the battle. Who will represent the National league is a mooted question, and the man who would pick the winner of the pennant in the senior organization would be gambling with fate. But, granting that the Mackmen are pretty sure winners, let's look the field over.

Chicago last year met the Athletics in the world's series a 3-to-2 favorite in many circles. The men who fought for Connie Mack made the Cubs look bad, winning four of five games played. It was a surprise and a shock to Chicagoans. But they have not forgotten. Nor have they been convinced that the machine of Frank Chance's building was working smoothly.

And if New York should be the opponent of the Athletics. Gracious! Philadelphians have not forgotten the drubbing "Muggsy" McGraw's Giants handed the Mackmen in 1905. They want revenge. In fact, many "fans" are hoping New York will be the National league contender so that Connie Mack and his crew can get back at the Giants. The short ride between the two cities would also be a factor in making the series a wonderful success.

RUNTS AMONG LEAGUE STARS

Many Leading Players Today Are Short in Stature—More Midgets Than Ever.

"Give the little boys a chance."

Can we ever forget that small poem of our Fourth Reader days. Apply it to baseball and think of the heart pangs of the little fellows of by-gone days who were turned away by the big league managers with the statement: "You're all right, but too

Manager Bobby Wallace.

small to make good in fast company." Times innumerable has that remark blasted the hopes of some promising player who was given the cold shoulder because he did not weigh so-and-so or was not of such-and-such a height.

The scene seems to be changing, however. The season of 1911 saw more midgets performing in the big leagues than ever before. And they were not the weak members of the teams with which they played. On the contrary, some of them were the stars of their clubs.

In almost every position on the diamond the little fellows were represented by some star. Some of them are:

Outfield—Josh Devore, New York Giants; Birdie Cree, New York Yankees; Tommy Leach, Pittsburg.

Second base—Miller Huggins, Cardinals; Knabe, Philadelphia Nationals.

Shortstop—Manager Bobby Wallace, St. Louis Americans; Hauser, Cardinals; Owen Bush, Detroit.

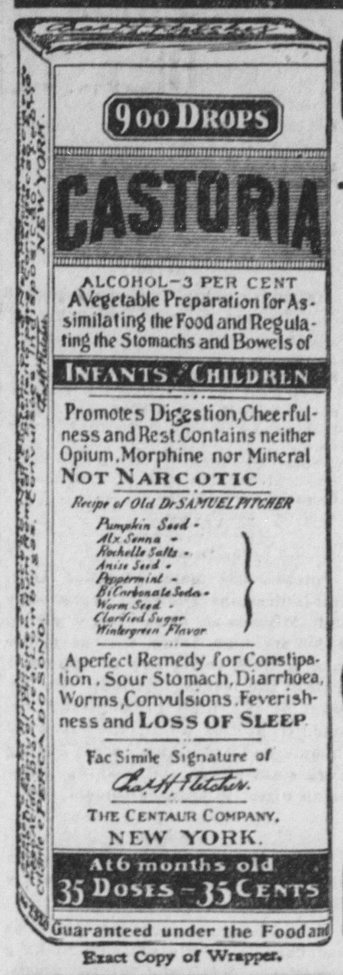
Third base—Bobby Byrne, Pittsburgh Pirates; Elberfeld, Washington.

Pitcher—Jack Warhop, New York Yankees.

Catcher—Jimmy Stephens, St. Louis Americans.

Every one of these is a bona fide midget star.

Mentioning recent "comebacks"—what's the matter with George Mullin?



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A Student of Humanity.

Mrs. Carter and her cook, says the Brooklyn Citizen, were discussing the murder which had harrowed the dusky citizens of the countryside.

"Will dey hang him fer killin' of his wife, Miss Cyarter?"

"We can't tell yet, Aunt Jinny. The court will decide. Of course, if they prove he did it on purpose—"

"Done it a purpose! Law, Miss Cyarter, in course he kilt him wife a purpose! Honey, ain't I done been married? Don't I know men?"

Failed to Scare Tim.

A plan was formed to scare a certain Tim Casey, living in a village near Belfast, on his returning from market by night past the churchyard. As he went by, the usual turnip, white sheet, and lanthorn of the conventional ghost were submitted to his gaze, with the customary weird howls. Tim, however, simply looked fixedly at the apparition for a moment and remarked: "Arrah, now, and is it a general resurrection, or are ye just taking a walk by yerself?"

Not a Bit.

"In getting married Mr. Sothern and Miss Marlowe showed very little consideration for the public."

"Why so?"

"There's no fun in watching a man and his wife play 'Romeo and Juliet.'"

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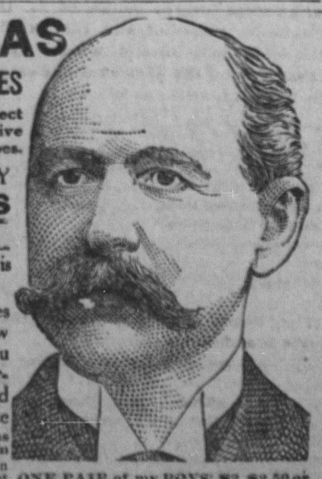

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