RUMANIA TO JOIN ALLIES IN MONTH, ROME REPORTS

Army Being Rapidly Equipped for Early Military Action

MASS ON BULGAR BORDER

PETROGRAD, Feb. 2.

In connection with the negotiations which are alleged to be proceeding between Greece and Rumania and the report that Rumania is ready to form an anti-Bulgarian alliance, it is stated here that four-fifths of the Rumanian troops are under arms and that the main Rumanian forces are concentrated on the Bulgarian and Hungarian frontiers, while the troops on the Russian frontier have not been increased.

Rumania continues to make difficulties for the Central Powers with respect to the purchase of grain.

These difficulties have been increased by the British authorities, who are buying large quantities and driving up the prices. With the purpose of exerting pressure on Rumania, Austro-Bulgarian troops are concentrating on the Danube.

LONDON, Feb. 2. — A dispatch from Rome to the Daily Telegraph says:

"According to the Rumanian colony in Rome, Rumania in March will take the field on the side of the Allies."

MILAN, Feb. 2.—The attitude of Rumania is declared by Vienna and Budapest papers to be giving great concern to Austria-Hungary.

The Rumanian army is being rapidly equipped with everything necessary for a severe campaign. Large consignments of horses have already arrived at Galatz.

M. Reni, an influential Rumanian who has been in Rome, is proceeding to Paris and London. He declares that sentiment in favor of the Allies has greatly increased lately. A considerable change has been produced since the large grain purchases by England.

PHILADELPHIA SUPPLIES RUSHED TO ITALIAN FRONT

Hospital Conducted by American Women to Get Twenty Cases of Goods

ROME, Feb. 2.—An American hospital has just been established at the Italian front. Four others were opened some time ago in leading Italian cities. The hospital at the front, which is being supplied from the centre established by Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page, wife of the American Ambassador to Italy, at the Palazzo del Drago, the Ambassador's residence in Rome, is conducted exclusively by American women. Regimental orderlies travel daily between Rome and the front, handling supplies for the hospital.

Twenty cases of supplies were received today in Rome from the Emergency Aid Relief in Philadelphia and immediately forwarded to the front.

Mrs. Page said the available supply of surgical requirements is inadequate and that there is urgent need for greater quantities of ether, chloroform and disinfectants.

SEEK TO COMPEL GOULDS TO ACCEPT ANSWER IN SUIT

Texas and Pacific Railway to Present Argument in New York

NEW YORK, Feb. 2 — Argument will be heard today by Justice Donnelly, of the Supreme Court, on application of the Texas and Pacific Railway Company to compel the executors of the estate of Jay Gould to accept an answer in the suit begun by them against the company for $1,741,000 with interest from December 1, 1915. The executors are George J., Edwin and Howard Gould and Mrs. Helen Gould Shepard.

The complaint in the suit alleged that on March 1, 1914, the company transferred to the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railway Company 35 negotiable promissory notes due June 1, 1915. The amount of the notes was the amount sued for. The notes, the complaint said, were indorsed over to the plaintiffs by the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Company. On the affidavit of George J. Gould that the defendant was a foreign corporation organized in Louisiana Justice Ford issued an attachment, pending trial.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Harry Gibbins, 2210 N. 10th st., and Mabel E. Herbine, Camden, N. J.
Osher Fleeter, 726 Federal st., and Sarah Gelman, 613 Wilder st.
James M. Golden, 1511 S. 4th st., and Margaret M. Milligrt, 1511 S. 4th st.
Myer Weinbraub, 1837 S. 11th st., and Minnie Gervitz, 2437 S. 11th st.
Charles A. Hoover, 218 N. 65th st., and Emma W. Burger, 1547 N. 62d st.
Paul C. Hipple, 403 S. 60th st., and Minnie Benner, 1807 Cayuga st.
Ignacy Rzemyk 3281 Livingston st., and Agolina Salwa, 3281 Livingston st.
David T. Dyer, 2232 Bonaffon st., and Elizabeth C. Hallowell, 5128 Irving st.
David Silver, 519 S. 16th st., and Chawe Kalsbam, 421 Dickinson st.
Edward H. Manley, 5012 Master st., and Quiesnie L. Buller, 5012 Master st.
Herbert A. Berry, 2541 S. 17th st., and Margaret Jackson, Trenton, N. J.
Sam Woorman, 432 Fitzwater st., and Jennie Musicant, 815 N. 12th st.
Harry L. Carter, 606 S. 19th st., and Nellie V. Carpenter, 1803 Kater st.
Robert H. Bonner, Jr., 2336 E. Sergeant st., and Edna M. Hart, 3123 Frankford ave.
Fred A. Wayne, Camden, N. J., and Mary A. R. Maharg, Camden, N. J.
Otto Schwalbach, 2013 W. Fletcher st., and Louise Kurtz, 2227 N. 27th st.
Jan Stanczek, 3521 Mercer st., and Franciska K. Koscielsko, 3331 Almond st.
Morris Zimmerman, 3202 Kensington ave., and Fannie Ackerman, 3202 Kensington ave.
Henry J. Hembecker, Jr., 3608 N. Marshall st., and Josephine E. M. Devlin, 635 W. Venango st.
Theodore S. Angermann, Jr., 10 W. Venango st., and Hannah Coyle, 133 N. 63d st.
William L. Schaeffer, Seneca, Md., and Edith Clogston, 3324 N. 18th st.
Adam Sinda, 2930 Melvale st., and Helena Nowak, 2833 E. Toronto st.
Frank W. Burkholder, 5018 N. 5th st., and Agnes Kuhl, 1309 Champlost ave.
Frank Gangloff, 2751 Hope st., and Rose Bell, 2729 Hope st.
Wharton Kinsey, 780 N. 23d st., and Catherine Beaver, 780 N. 23d st.
Anthony Lineman, Jr., 2247 N. Palethorpe st., and Cecelia E. Drach, 2158 N. 3d st.
Carroll J. Dunn, Baltimore, Md., and Katharine Overman, Baltimore, Md.
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HE'S DEFT WITH THE KNITTING NEEDLE AND ALSO MIGHTY WITH THE FIRE HOSE

Warren Kramer, of Engine 48, a Champion in Handling These Useful Implements and Proud of Both Accomplishments

If every soldier in the trenches were like this man, Sister Susie wouldn't be knitting socks fo soldiers.

Perhaps you've heard of a four-legged chicken or a horse that can talk; but never before of a knitting fireman. There is one, with Engine Company No. 48. His name is Warren Kramer. Heard it before? Perhaps so, for he's the champion masculine knitting-needle punisher in Philadelphia.

Wrist warmers, sweaters, fascinators, socks afghans and nubias—all these and more can he knit. And he can crochet—Oh dear, how he can crochet! He can make the cunningest little muffs and perfectly stunning bedroom slippers, so deft are his fingers.

Ah, then, one naturally says, he's small and dainty. How did he ever become a fireman, and how can he endure the company and harsh words of those rough men?

NO, HE'S NOT "PRISCILLA."

But one look at Kramer changes all that. He's near 6 feet tall and crushes the scales down with 190 pounds. And nobody had better call him "Priscilla," either. A fellow tried it once, and they're talking yet about the time he spent in a hospital.

"Sure, I knit, and I'm proud of it," said Kramer today, pushing a crocheting needle through the thread, or however you do it, in the little parlor of his home, at 3102 Hutchinson street. "I don't care who knows it. Why should I? I learned to knit and crochet when I was a kid, see? My mother taught me and I never forgot how, and I've been doing it more or less ever since. Look at this muff."

So Kramer sits in the engine house and knits while the other firemen lay and smoke and swap yarns while they wait or an alarm to ring. He puts newspapers on the floor so that his ball of yarn will not get dirty and away the needles click, knitting caps for his "kids" or socks or muffs. He can knit two caps in three hours. If the engine house cat becomes curious he puts more papers on the floor.

At first the people who came to the engine house opened their eyes or smiled. But now they are acustomed to it and when their cousins from the country come to see them they take them around to see the knitting marvel, after showing off City Hall, the Liberty Bell and the Curtis Building.

AND NOBODY "GETS HIS GOAT."

"Sure, I've been kidded along," said Kramer. "But nobody can get my goat. I tell 'em to go chase themselves."

But there was once he felt a little nervous, or excited, or warm under the collar or something like that. It was when he decided to learn how to become an expert crocheter. He went to the art-and-needle section of a department store to take lessons and found himself the only man—naturally—in a clas of a dozen or so women.

"They lamped me right much and laughed," Kramer said. "But I kept right along. And here's what I learned." He held up a strip of corset cover lace, a dainty little thing.

His wife is proud of his accomplishment. "Not every man can do that," she said. "It doesn't make him effeminate, either."

Nobody ever said it did. The "boys" at the firehouse know he's a "smoke eater," and that when the gong sounds he's just as good at choking a fire as he is at choking a needle. He used to be a soldier, too, with the 22d United States Infantry in the Philippines, where he darned his own socks for three years while he wasn't actually chasing Igorrotes through the jungles.

Kramer is going to start a knitting class out at the Byberry firehouse, where he's just been detailed. Harvey Kellerman, who's too fat to knit, they say, because he can't reach the needles, has already enrolled in the class and has learned not to hold the needle like a hose.

LA RUMANIA ENTRERA' IN GUERRA NEL MARZO A FIANCO DELL'INTESA

Il Popolo Italiano di Ogni Classe Ha Coperto Due Miliardi del Nuovo Prestito di Guerra

MIRKO E' PRIGIONIERO?

ROMA, 2 Febbraio.

Membri influenti della colonia rumena in Roma dicono che ormai la decisione della Rumania e' presa. Essi affermano che il loro paese sara, nel prossimo mese di marzo a fianco delle potenze dell'Intesa in guerra contro gli imperi centrali.

Anche notizie da Vienna e Budapest dicono che l'atteggiamento della Rumania preoccupa seriamente quei circoli governativi. Alle capitali della Monarchia sono giunte infatti notizie secondo cui l'esercito rumeno si va rapidamente armando con tutto quello di cui ha bisogno per la guerra e che a Galatz sono giunti una grande quantita, di cavalli.

Un rumeno che e' stato a Roma per qualche tempo e che ora e' partito alla volta di Parigi in missione speciale, M. Reni, dichiara che in questi ultimi tempi l'opinione pubblica rumena si e' voltata tutto in favore della Quadruplice Intesa e che l'agitazione interventionista si e' fatta molto piu' intensa di quello che era qualche tempo fa. Intanto truppe austro-bulgare si vanno concentrando sul confine della Rumania con lo scopo di esercitare una certa pressione sul governo rumeno.

Dell'ultimo prestito di guerra finora sono stati coperti piu' di 2 miliardi di lire, cioe' circa 400 milioni di dollari, sebbene le sottoscrizioni siano state aperte soltanto il 10 gennaio u. s. Esse resteranno aperte sino al 10 del corrente mese, sebbene il governo abbia di gia' ricevuto la somma che si attendeva dall'emissione del prestito.

Per molti giorni le banche sono state affollate di gente di ogni classe che cercava di otteneres una parte del prestito. I giornali di Roma annunciano che la Bethlehem Steel Works, la grande casa metallurgica americana presieduta da Schwab, ha sottoscritto un milione di lire del prestito italiano. Questa casa ha grosse ordinazioni dal governo italiano per fornitura di materiale da guerra.

Notizie giunte da Berlino dicono che il principe Mirko del Montenegro, che era rimasto alla testa delle truppe montenegrine combattenti contro l'Austria, e' stato fatto prigioniero dagli austriaci e si trova nelle vicinanze di Podgoritza dove si trovano pure numerosi ri-uglati serbi. Si dice che migliaia di donne e ragazzi e vecchi serbi siano periti durante la traversata delle montagne per fuggire dal loro paese invaso dagli austriaci.

Alla fronte italiana e' stato inaugurato un ospedale americano e quattro altri ospedali sono stati inaugurati pure dagli americani in altre citta' d'Italia. Quello che e' alla fronte e' mantenuto in gran parte con il fondo raccolto dalla signora dell'ambasciatore americano a Roma, Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page, ed e' diretto esclusivamente da signore americane.

Ieri sono giunte qui venti casse di medicinali mandati da un comitato di soccorso di Philadelphia e sono state subito spedite alla fronte.

Belgian Educator to Speak

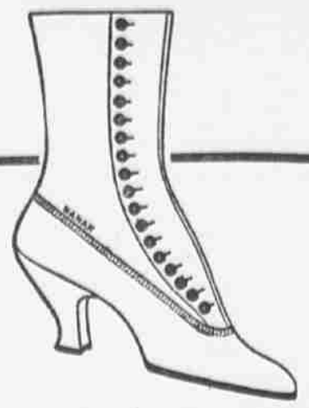
Prof. A. Carnoy, professor in the University of Pennsylvania and former professor in the University of Louvain, will relate his personal experiences in Belgium at the time of the German invasion during a lecture tonight in the Oak Lane branch of the Free Library of Philadelphia. Mr. Carnoy is speaking in accordance with the request of a committee of Oak Lane citizens.

TRAVELS TRANSBALKAN LINE

Morgenthau, En Route Home, Uses Constantinople-Berlin Road

CONSTANTINOPLE, via Amsterdam, Feb. 2.—Henry Morgenthau, the United States Ambassador to Turkey, is the first United States official to travel on the new Berlin-Constantinople express which has just been put in operation through the Balkans by the Germans.

Mr. Morgenthau left on Tuesday for Berlin, where he will confer with J. W. Gerard, United States Ambassador to Germany. Afterward he will sail for the United States for a holiday.



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$5 and $5.50 Values	$4.45	$7.50 Values	$6.45
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MRS. HUGH S. KNOX GETS DIVORCE DECREE

Wins Her Suit Against Son of the Former Secretary of State

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 2.—Katharine McCook Knox, member of a prominent New York family, obtained today a divorce from Hugh Smith Knox, son of P. C. Knox, ex-Secretary of State. Mrs. Knox charged her husband with cruel and barbarous treatment. Her testimony was corroborated by her mother, Mrs. Hattie B. McCook, of New York.

The trouble between the pair began on their honeymon trip. They were married December 14, 1911, in this city. During the honeymoon trip Knox charged his wife with going "out walking with some one."

The Knoxs took up residence in Washington, D. C. While there the wife stated that her husband, when unable to obtain liquor at the home of his father, would go to the Army and Navy Club and the Metropolitan Club. Later in Valley Forge Knox was found climbing out of a low window in their home with a revolver in his hand.

On one occasion when Mrs. Knox arrived at the railroad depot in Atlantic City she espied a crowd and in the midst of it found her husband "in a most frightful condition." When she said, "Hello, Hugh," he yelled out, "Well, d— you, aint' you going to kiss me?"

While going to the hotel in a bus Knox is alleged to have fallen out and men were compelled to carry him into the hotel.

CLUBMEN OFF AS WAR AIDS

Brooke Edwards and Gray Dayton Join French Ambulance

Brooke Edwards and Gray Dayton, two of the young clubmen interested by John H. McFadden, Jr., in the American Ambulance Corps, will sail for France today from New York on the liner Rochambeau. "Jack" McFadden, with other young men who have volunteered to serve with him, expects to sail for France before the end of the month.

Wage Increase at Cambria Mines

ALTOONA, Pa., Feb. 2.—The officials of District 2, United Mine Workers, have received word that the first advance in central Pennsylvania became effective at the mines of the Cambria Steel Company, in Cambria County yesterday, with a 10 per cent. increase becoming operative.

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HEAD OF ELECTRIC COMPANY A WITNESS

Joseph B. McCall Summoned to Testify on Subject of Cost of Service

Joseph B. McCall, president of the Philadelphia Electric Company, was called to the witness stand today in the hearing before the Public Service Commission to determine whether the electric company is charging exorbitant rates in this city. Mr. McCall's testimony will close a phase of the case which has occupied the attention of the Public Service Commission since the middle of November—the inquiry into the value of the corporation's property.

It is expected that Mr. McCall's testimony will end tomorrow and that a recess of a week will be taken by the Public Service Commission, which is being represented by Commissioner John Monaghan.

Charles J. Russell, sales manager of the company, was on the stand this morning.

Munition Maker Commits Suicide

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Thomas H. Keller, 58 years old, manager of the eastern department of the Peters Cartridge Company, of Cincinnati, shot himself in the presence of his wife after she had vainly struggled to stop him. Ill health is given as the cause.

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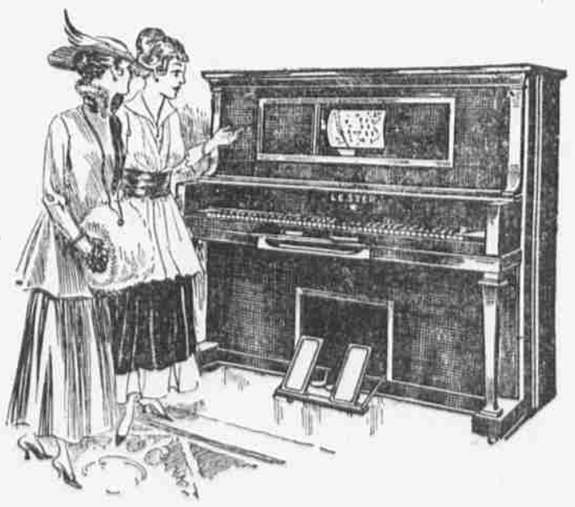

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