

Italy Ready for War and Able to Strike Hard Blow

Army Brought Up to the Latest
Requirements and Navy Soon
to Place Two Dreadnoughts in
Commission.

AMERICA CALLED ON TO FURNISH SUPPLIES

Rush Order for 3,000,000 Pairs
of Shoes Filled Quickly in the
United States, New Cannon for
the Artillery.

Rome, Jan. 27.—(By mail to New York to escape censorship.)—Italy's military and naval preparations for war complete. They have cost a round billion of dollars, enormous difficulties have been overcome, but Italy is at last prepared. This is Italy's military strength:

First and second line troops, 1,260,000.

Reserves, 2,100,000.

The first and second line troops are men between the ages of twenty and twenty-nine; the reserves are men between thirty and thirty-nine.

The navy is already mobilized under command of the Duke of Abruzzi. Two more dreadnoughts will be commissioned in February. They will increase the fighting power of the Italian navy tremendously.

Italy has 1,000,000 francs in her war chests, 1,600,000 tons of wheat stored away for future use and her policy of watchful, armed neutrality has now entered its decisive phase. Every Italian in touch with official affairs is confident that if this country enters the war on the side of the allies she will be able to strike a tremendous blow at Germany and Austria.

The outbreak of the war in Europe found Italy in all the straits of disorganization. As a result of the Tripoli venture, she was short of ammunition, arms, shoes and uniforms. The work necessary to remove this handicap has been completed. The first task was the restocking of the army shoe depots. It was estimated that 10,000,000 pairs would be necessary. Because the Italian factories cannot put out more than 3,000,000 pairs a month, the war ministry turned to America, with the result that within two months from the time the order was given, 3,000,000 pairs had come from the United States.

Next came the supplying of the new light field pieces of the Deport type. Luckily, the government had placed several months before an order for 100 batteries. By appealing to the manufacturers' patriotism, the government got the gunmakers to finish those batteries far within the year's limit set by the contracts.

The last four batteries were delivered on the day after Christmas, and now 24 regiments are armed with the new gun.

On December 30, all the artillery reserves were recalled to the colors for a month to become acquainted with the operation of the new gun. In the meantime every other branch

Blacklick Has Another Big Fire

Flames of Mysterious Origin
Caused a Loss of About \$4,000.

LAST OF THE SERIES

Blacklick just can't get over the habit of having disastrous fires and whether they are caused by an incendiary or are just the result of bad luck is yet to be determined. Monday night shortly before 12 o'clock another fire visited the town and caused a damage estimated at \$4,000. Three buildings were burned and much property lost.

The fire started in the small flat occupied by Edward Palmer, above the grocery store of Mr. Gorton. Much of the merchandise in the store was destroyed and only a few articles of furniture were saved from the Palmer flat.

The flames spread to the residence of Thompson Palmer directly next to the Gorton building and that property was also destroyed, together with a majority of the furnishings. Thompson Palmer estimates his loss at \$1200 on which there is some insurance.

The little room, occupied by D. F. Porter, a sewing machine agent, was badly damaged by fire and water. The volunteer fire company did valiant work and the chemical apparatus kept the flames from spreading to two nearby residences.

Holiday to be Observed.

The next national holiday occurs on Tuesday, February 2, and is known as Groundhog Day. It is presumed to be a great day in Punxsutawney.

Twenty-seven Hunters Killed.

Statistics show that 27 hunters were killed in Pennsylvania during the hunting season. Eighty-nine non fatal accidents were reported.

Indiana Prepares for Social Events.

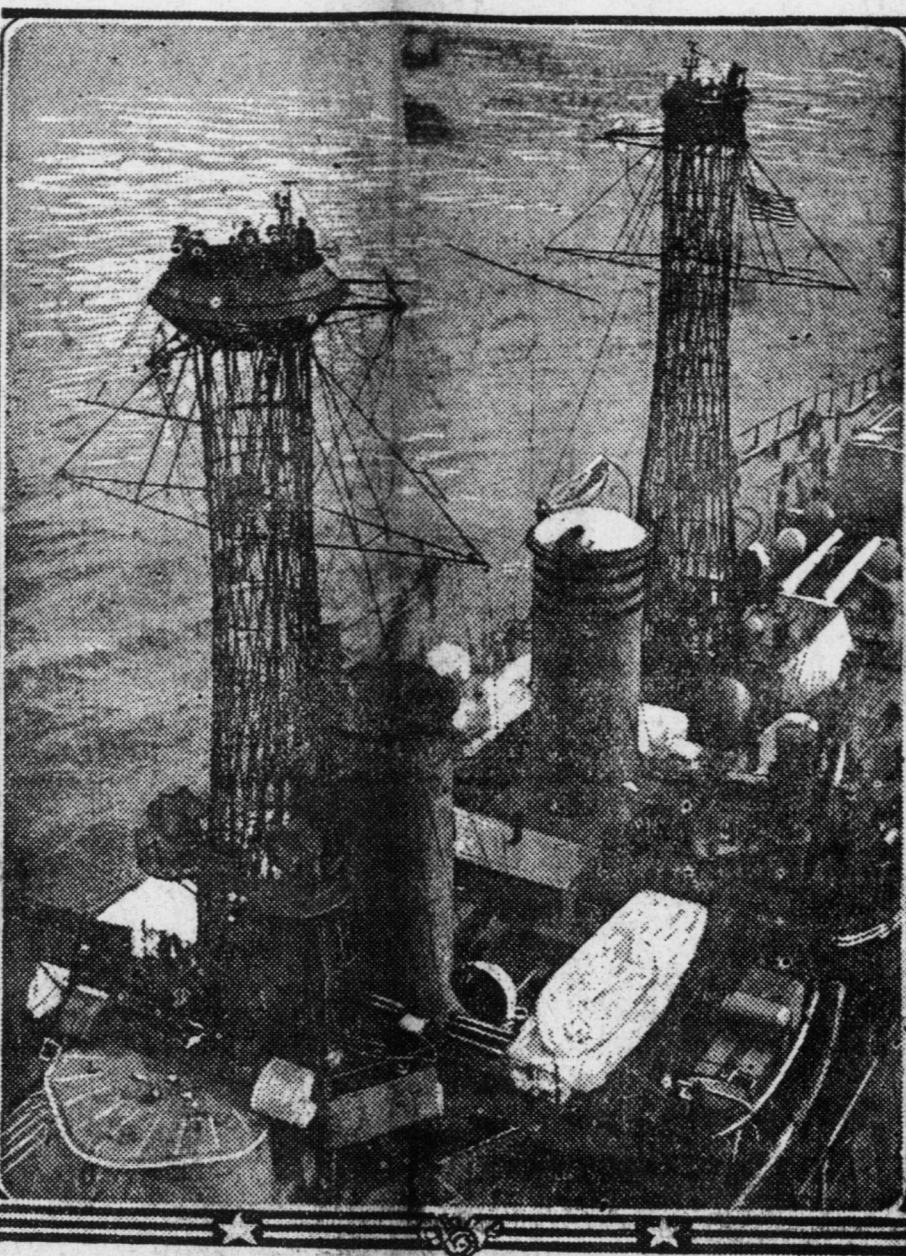
Indiana is preparing for a number of social events. The Lincoln Debating club dance and the annual reception and dance of the Senior class will be held on the Saturday evening nearest to the dates of Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays, respectively. The winter term is usually featured by more social events than any other season at the big school except commencement.

Three Veterans Sick.

Attorney S. A. Douglass, William Myers and Joseph Laughlin, three aged and well-known veterans of the Civil war, are seriously ill.

of the army was being perfected. The scarcity of infantry officers was remedied by permitting so-called complement officers to enter the permanent service, while an appeal to the Society of Civil Engineers of Italy, brought 2,000 more officers for the artillery and engineering arm. The medical faculties of the Italian universities and school have furnished 4,000 nurses and medical assistants. Seven thousand women between the ages of twenty-five and forty-two volunteered to serve as nurses.

BATTLESHIP WYOMING IN NEW YORK.



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Admiral Fletcher's flagship as she started for southern cruise. Unusual view showing latticework towers.

In Court.

Mrs. Tony Boss, of Heilwood, arrested on a charge of selling liquor without a license, was paroled by Judge Telford Monday morning.

INDIANA MAN GETS HARRISBURG JOB

Ross M. Sutton of this place has been named petition book clerk. The salary is \$7 per day and the position one of the most desirable clerical jobs at the State capital.

Local Pigeons Take Prizes.

Ernest Livingstone, of Maple st., Indiana's premier pigeon fancier, took a number of prizes at the Bird show held in Pittsburgh last week. They were: First and Special prizes on Black Saddle Fantails; First prize on Red Saddle Fantails; First, Second and Fifth prizes for Whits Fantails.

NOTORIOUS HORSETHIEF IS IN CUSTODY AGAIN

David Trainer, notorious as a horse thief, who served two penitentiary terms from Indiana county, and who is well-known in Jefferson and Clearfield counties for similar exploits, has just been lodged in the Clarion jail on a charge of stealing a rig belonging to G. M. Sloan of Frogtown.

The horse died from overdriving and Trainer was arrested shortly afterwards. Trainer seems to have a mania for stealing horses and is always re-arrested on a similar charge shortly after he secures his liberty.

NEW COAL MINE IS NOW IN OPERATION

The new opening of the Savan Coal company, near Deckers Point, is now in operation. The first coal was shipped from this mine on Friday, when two cars were shipped to Altoona. This mine is expected to have an output of 3,000 tons per day. A narrow gauge railroad carries the coal three miles from the mine to the tipples on the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh railroad at Savan.

The best stores advertise in "The Patriot."

List of Letters

Remaining uncalled for in the Indiana postoffice, Jan. 23, 1915:

Leonard Byers, Irvin Craven, Walter S. Cummings Co., Paul Fowler, Mrs. C. B. Lydick, Miss Effie McLaughlin, Miss Jessie K. Postlewait, S. G. Stewart, E. G. Uher.

When inquiring for letters in this list please state that they were advertised, giving date.

HARRY W. FEE, P. M.

Veteran is dead.

J. Clark Speedy of Creekside, one of the best known veterans of the Civil war, died recently at his home at Creekside. On the second day of the battle of Gettysburg he was badly wounded. He had long been prominent in Indiana county.

To Build Hall at Blacklick.

Application has been made to Judge S. J. Telford for charter for "The Odd Fellows Hall Association of Blacklick," which will shortly erect a handsome lodge home in that place.

FOREIGNER BREAKS JAW IN PECULIAR WAY

Blairsville, Jan. 25.—Pio Bosoni, of Smiths station, is in the Indiana hospital suffering from unusual injuries, received at Smith station while an Indiana branch train was coaling. Bosoni is employed as a miner and was passing the shute when it slipped, striking him on the jaw.

Indiana Fair, September 7.

At a meeting of the Coal, Iron & Oil circuit in Pittsburgh last week the following Fair dates were named: Kittanning, August 17, Butler and Brookville, August 24; Apollo, August 31; Indiana and Youngwood, September 7; Punxsutawney and Dawson, September 14; Dayton and Meyersdale, September 21 and Clairton, September 28.

Mr. Max Cohen of Birmingham Alabama, is spending a few weeks with the Kleinstub's family of Creekside.

Would-be Assassin Is not Apprehended

Homer City, without a policeman, is enjoying a reign of lawlessness. No arrest has been made for an attempt on the life of James Glover of Yellow Creek street, who was fired at while reading his Bible in his home on Sunday night. The bullet broke the window and entered the door jamb a short distance from where Mr. Glover was sitting. The man was frightened away by people going home from church but afterwards returned and Mr. Glover fired at him with a shotgun, but failed to hit his target.

Boy Robber in Texas

Emulates Frank Hohl.

Meets a Similar Fate

Houston, Tex., Jan. 26.—A boy robber late today walked into the Guarantee State bank on Washington avenue here, covered bank officials with his gun, forced them into the vault, locked them up, raked up between \$4,000 and \$5,000 and fled. He was pursued and killed before going half a dozen blocks.

Storms in Quake Zone

Rome, Jan. 26.—Storms of hail, snow and wind in the mountains and floods in the valleys are adding to the misery of the people in the earthquake zone in the Abruzzi district, while the slight shocks of earthquake that continually are being felt are keeping them in a state of nervous expectancy.

Speedy Steppers at Sutton Farm

Throughout the winter a large string of fast horses have been in training at the Sutton farm, two miles south of this place. The old track on the Sutton farm has been put into excellent condition. This half-mile track was constructed at great cost and is said by horsemen and others to be the fastest track in the state. A string of horses will also be trained at the Indiana Agricultural Society track at the fairgrounds and matinee races may again be as port in this section.

Heshbon Man Taken

To Dixmont Asylum

County Detective Josiah and County Commissioner E. M. Ansley Tuesday took Joseph Campbell, of Heshbon, this county, to Dixmont. Campbell was at one time confined to the Danville asylum, but for some time has been making his home with a brother.

Passenger causes

Arrest of Trainmen

Harry M. Quiggle, conductor, and H. O. Linkaline, brakeman, employed on the New York Central train running from Clearfield to Heilwood, gave bail for a hearing before Squire J. A. Crossman, next Fryday. The two men were arrested by Constable A. J. Boucher of Idamar, on a charge of assault and battery preferred by Harry Passalie, who claims that while a passenger on the train for Idamar he was carried to Heilwood. During a dispute over his destination he claims he was so badly beaten by Quiggle and Linkaline that he was compelled to go to the Dixonville hospital for treatment.

Thirty-Year-Old Accused of Blows Upon His Father

Charles Travis, aged thirty, was lodged in the Indiana jail late Wednesday night on a charge of subverting the peace. He was arrested near his home at North Point, Indiana county, after he had brutally attacked his aged father, it is alleged.

The prisoner had been drinking and struck his father over the head repeatedly with a heavy poker. The father's condition is such that he may not recover.

Indiana authorities stated Thursday morning that they were unable to learn the exact condition of the injured man.

Assassin Tries Greek King's Life

Travelers Arriving at Constantinople
State Attempt to Kill Constantine
Was Made at Batras, Greece.

London, Jan. 28.—An Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen gives a report that an attempt was made several days ago to assassinate King Constantine of Greece. This report is conveyed to Copenhagen in a despatch from Constantinople which says that the authority for the report is the statement of travelers arriving at Constantinople. The attempt on the life of the king, according to the rumors, was made at Patras, Greece.

The Greek minister here declares the Constantinople report of an attempt to assassinate King Constantine is absolutely untrue.

Will go to Sydney, Australia, to Wed

Miss May Brownlee was tendered a miscellaneous shower here in honor of her approaching marriage. Miss Brownlee will leave about March 1 for Sydney, Australia, where she will be married to Hugh Brown. Miss Brownlee is a daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Brownlee.

Indiana Miller Is Highly Honored

Griffith Ellis of the well-known milling firm of David Ellis & Son, is home from Wilkes-Barre, where he was attending the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Millers' Mutual Fire Insurance company. He was re-elected a director of the company for the company for the twenty-sixth time and treasurer for the fourteenth time. The company has been wonderfully prosperous and the insurance in force has increased from \$200,000 to \$12,500,000, and has cash assets in the hands of the treasurer of over half a million dollars. The company maintains a suite of offices in the Coal exchange building at Wilkes-Barre where a dozen people are constantly employed conducting the business of the company, which is secured in all parts of the United States and Canada.