

Italian Boys Have No Chance to Forget They Are Future Soldiers; Rome Calm

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ROME, April 20—War-like threats thundering intermittently by Premier Benito Mussolini shake the world with fear, but Roman citizens in recent weeks have pursued their daily tasks apparently unperturbed by events to come.



"SONS OF THE WOLF," the militaristic youth organization founded by Premier Mussolini of Italy, give the Fascist salute. These boys recruits are between the ages of 6 and 8.

If Fascist army officers have taken precautions against air raids, they have done it so cleverly that no one would suspect it. This is in direct contrast to fear-plagued London where laborers work day and night constructing air raid shelters, where district wardens make nightly calls to see whether civilians know how to don their gas masks, where the Houses of Parliament echo daily with urgent questions about the progress of air defense, where "A. R. P." (Air Raid Precautions) is a household phrase.

More Soldiers in Berlin Italy is today a great military power, but you see fewer officers and soldiers in all the avenues and centers in Rome than you will observe in a two-minute walk in Berlin. German big city streets swarm with Brown Shirts. Not many Black Shirts are ordinarily seen in Rome. Today in Berlin you could not walk 100 feet without a Storm Trooper shaking a tin box in your face and asking for a contribution to the poor relief fund.

There is no such annoyance either to the native or the visitor in the streets of Rome. The fashionable quarters are crowded with the trim, trim, handsome Roman young women wearing their pretty spring hats and dresses.

Italian Boys But Italian males from babyhood up are not allowed to forget that they are material for soldiering.

Always there is held before them the vision that Mussolini has given them—that of an Italian empire which some day shall equal ancient Rome.

Even in the nursery, boy babies are given a taste for the glories of military life. The little lead soldier as a toy has come back—and with 1939 realism.

In one shop I saw not only the usual Italian lead soldiers, infantry, cavalry, artillery with guns, tanks and airplanes, but also troopers throwing hand grenades, wielding flame throwers

and manipulating heavy machine guns. But the realism went even further than that. There was a gas-blinded soldier being led by a dog, a badly wounded man, his head in the lap of a nurse, another being carried by a fellow soldier. There was a full Red Cross ambulance corps complete with nurses and doctors and with cases of wounded soldiers of all kinds and descriptions.

Sunday Sleepers Disturbed Late Sunday morning sleepers often are disturbed by the roll of drums, echoed back by the stones of the ancient Roman Forum. This particular Sabbath students of the University of Naples had come to visit Rome.

Their trip was arranged under a plan, similar to one existing in Germany, which takes groups of workers and others around their country on cheap excursions.

The university boys were halted, and rested at ease in front of a wall near the Forum.

Maps Show Past Here are permanently displayed huge maps in bas relief. Countries, outside Roman influence in ancient days and Italian influence in modern times, are displayed in black. Those which were part of the ancient Roman empire and those which today are part of the Italian empire are displayed in white.

The first map shows all Europe black, save for a tiny circle. This is the village of Rome founded, according to the myth, by Romulus and Remus. A series of maps then shows how, from great Caesar to great Caesar, Rome extended its grip upon the then known world. Finally, there is a map of today, showing Italy

proper, Sicily, Sardinia, Libya and Ethiopia—the modern Italian empire, so far.

Books Tell Glory What maps do not exhibit, literature does. Every bookshop displays books on Tunis, giving reasons why Italy has made imperious demands upon France. Another book, being pushed at the present time, is one called "Italy and France" by Virginio Gayda, the famous Roman editor, who is supposed to be the direct mouthpiece of Mussolini himself. This book goes back in history and takes all the points at issue between Italy and France and which are very apt soon to be stressed with emphasis by Mussolini.

4-H CLUB MEETS GOSHEN, April 21—(Special)—The 4-H Busy Bee Sewing club of the Goshen school held its regular meeting this week at the home of the leader, Mrs. Julia Sullivan. The club members, Norma Ellison, Doris Miller, Olive Pettys, Roselee Wright, Viola Bell, Verna Lou Winter, Barbara Ellison, Georgia Tucker and Ruth Willowby are busy finishing their project so that they may be eligible to show their work at the 4-H Lane county achievement exhibit at Eugene. Plans were made for a local showing to be held in May to which parents and friends will be invited.

IN GOSHEN GOSHEN, April 21—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Jellum have returned from a months visit in Seattle and other Washington cities. Mrs. Jellum was very ill in a Seattle hospital for several days but was well enough to return here last week-end. They are visiting at the M. C. Hollo home until they find a location in Eugene for their future home. Tom Frame has left for Northfield, Minn. where he was called by the serious illness of his mother. His son, Larry, accompanied him.

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Complete Shutdown Seen For Coal Mines

NEW YORK, April 21—(AP)—A complete shutdown of the nation's soft coal mines on May 5, unless a new contract is signed before that date, has been ordered by the United Mine Workers.

The order, climaxing a six-weeks deadlock in negotiations between the union and operators for the eight-state Appalachian area, threatened to pull 125,000 men from the bituminous workings in 13 states. Approximately 350,000 have been idle in the Appalachian region and in Alabama since the two-year contract died April 1.

CIO Chairman John L. Lewis, who heads the mine workers, also has said he would call out 100,000 strike miners, if necessary, to force an agreement. This would leave 385,000 miners idle and increase the growing menace of a national coal shortage.

Lane U-O Parents Banquet On Campus

Oregon Dads and Mothers of Lane county were given a first hand glimpse of the University of Oregon Wednesday evening, when they met at a banquet in Straub Memorial hall with university officials and deans of the various schools.

Deans were introduced, and Dr. Donald M. Erb, university president, sketched the work of the schools and colleges. The aims of the school, and records and achievements made by students were cited as each dean was introduced.

Oregon Dads will some day enter the campus through their own gates, a project that will go far toward completing the beautification plan for the campus, the fathers and mothers were told by Burt Brown Barker, university vice-president. The campaign to raise funds for the gates, which will be placed at the official campus entrance on Eleventh avenue east, is now under way in every part of the state.

Part of the iron work, which will make the entrance one of the most beautiful in the United States, is already completed, Mr. Barker stated.

The completed campus and its plans were also described by Mr. Barker. The university will have an outstanding arrangement and will be one of the most attractive found anywhere, he declared.

Music at the banquet was furnished by Hal Young, professor of voice. The arrangements for the affair were made by the Lane county chapter of the Oregon Dads, who brought the mothers as special guests.

University to Open Clinic For Exceptional Children

Greater opportunity for teachers to gain knowledge of one of the most valuable phases of their profession, that of how to improve children with learning difficulties, will be offered in the DeBusk memorial clinic for exceptional children at the University of Oregon this summer, it was announced here today by Dr. Elizabeth Montgomery, director.

At the same time facilities to train a much greater number of children who need attention will be available. Dr. Montgomery stated. The clinic, which this year will be expanded to care for 75, instead of 25 children as in the past, will again be held during the regular summer session opening June 12. This year five staff members, all experts in this field, will be available to train children and to describe their methods to teachers of the state.

Dr. Montgomery, whose work in this field has attracted wide attention, will head the staff, and assisting her will be Miss Lillian Rayner, specialist from the Los Angeles public schools; Merl Clasey, remedial reading expert, Minneapolis public schools; Dr. S. C. Gribble, director of the clinic at Washington University, St. Louis, and Dr. H. W. Bernard,

of the university school of education.

A diagnosis of the difficulties of each child will be made at the clinic, and individual instruction will be given. Teachers who wish to take courses in remedial work will be given the opportunity to observe the methods first hand. The work will cover children from every school grade, as well as high school and college students.

Information on the clinic and its work may be obtained by teachers or by parents who wish to enter children upon application at the summer session office at the university or from Mrs. Montgomery at the university school of education.

TEACHERS ELECTED DEERHORN, April 21—(Special)—

The regular monthly meeting of the Deerhorn school board of district number 65 was held this week at the schoolhouse. Routine business was discussed and plans were made for the coming year. Miss Louise Barnes and Mr. Lester Wheeler were offered contracts for the next year. They are now completing their second year in the local school.

PROGRAM GIVEN DRAIN, April 21—(Special)—

The Townsend club made a nice sum of money at their sock social Monday. The business meeting was held first, then the following program was given: Song, Miss June Gorsline, accompanied on piano by Jerry Whipple, reading, Miss Helen Powell, violin duet, Belva Lakey and Shirley Henderson, Trumpet solo, Raymond Helseth, playlet, "A Misunderstanding," Mrs. Bruton and Mrs. Kesterson; violin duet, Shirley Henderson, and Belva Lakey, accompanied by Mrs. Lakey on piano.

Recipes of the Week

MRS. F. G. WEINRICK'S

SALAD MEXICANO

- 1 cup of grated raw carrots.
- 1/2 cup of finely chopped onions.
- 1 bud of garlic.
- 1/4 cup of olive oil.
- 1/4 cup of bread cubes.
- 1/2 cup finely chopped pimiento.
- 2 tablespoons of chopped parsley.
- 1 teaspoon of salt.
- 1 teaspoon of chili powder.
- 2 teaspoons of vinegar.
- 1/2 cup of thinly sliced celery.
- 1 cup diced, cooked potatoes.
- 1 cup cooked string beans.

Saute onion and garlic in olive oil, add bread cubes, and brown. Then remove garlic bud, and cool onion and bread mixture, add pimiento, parsley, salt, chili powder, and vinegar, mix well, and add vegetables. Chill well before serving. This serves six.



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