

Civil Strife Fast Dying Out In Italy

Embers of Factional Warfare Still Smoulder But Country Gradually Settling Down

Rome, Sept. 29.—The great civil strife which has swept over Italy for the last two years has not died out. It is smouldering, and wicked-looking red flames dart up unexpectedly every now and again from the ashes. A solemn covenant of peace and good will was entered upon by the Fascisti and the socialists over a month ago, under the auspices of the new premier, Signor Bonomi, himself a former socialist. But the most turbulent members of the Fascisti, the ultra-Nationalist party, as well as their opponent, the Communists, refused to lay down their arms, which led to the resignation of the founder and leader of the Fascisti, Signor Mussolini, member of parliament and editor of the influential newspaper Popolo d'Italia.

Saved the Country

There is no doubt that the nationalist reaction, led by Mussolini, saved Italy in 1919 and 1920 when Italy was at death-grips with the Bolsheviks, represented by the extremist socialist party, which was amply financed by Lenin. It was a question of inch-and-go then, and the policy of violence against violence, "an eye for an eye," adopted by the Fascisti, was generally believed by disinterested foreign observers to be well justified. But having attained in great measure their object of saving the country from bloody revolution and ruin, the Fascisti, it was thought, should have slowed down and adopted a less belligerent attitude.

Nitti Supports Arditi

Recently, the extremists got out of hand, and the Arditi del Popolo, or Storm Troops of the People, came into being as the protectors and champions of the "downtrodden liberties of the people" against the tyranny of the Fascisti. These new Arditi are recruited chiefly among ex-convicts, deserters and criminals. It is highly significant that the commander of the Rome division, one Granio Barnoccoli, a ticket-of-leave man, who has been sentenced some thirty times for theft, attempted murder and desertion, was arrested yesterday for failure to report to the police.

It is an open secret that the Arditi have the full support of the premier, Nitti, and that they have unlimited funds at their disposal. They are practically Nitti's Red Guard, organized for the purpose of keeping the Fascisti at bay and facilitating Nitti's return to power.

Nitti, of course, enjoys great favor with a large body of pardoned deserters, for it was he who granted general amnesty to them, giving them equal rights with the

soldiers who had won the war on the bloody fields of Caporetto and the Piave.

The ex-premier, who now owns an important morning newspaper, Il Paese, is about to launch an ambitious evening paper, Il Mondo. How a simple university professor could afford this would be a mystery were it not for the generally accepted fact that he amassed some hundred millions of lire during the war.

Taken as a whole, the situation in Italy has greatly improved, and there is every indication of a gradual and permanent settling down to work, peace and prosperity.

Lloyd George Replies To Irish Note Thursday

London, Sept. 28.—Prime Minister Lloyd George's reply to Eamonn De Valera will not be issued today, and there is some doubt whether it will be available tomorrow. It was announced officially at No. 10 Downing street, the official residence of Mr. Lloyd George this morning.

No hitch has developed, it was said, but the prime minister has decided there is no reason why he should not wait another day before making the communication public in order to give all the members of his cabinet and opportunity to pass on the draft of the reply.

Forecasts declared the note would make it clear that the conference had been called to discuss Irish self-government within the empire, but that nothing contained in the message would make impossible its acceptance by the Sinn Fein, or demand explicit concurrence with the British standpoint as a condition to the conference.

Letter Identifies Body Of Suicide

Newman, Cal., Sept. 29.—The body of a man believed to be Geo. B. Stewart according to papers found on it, was found hanging by the neck from a tree near a San Joaquin river bridge, east of here today by George B. Gran, a farmer.

A letter found in the dead man's pocket, addressed to his sister, Mrs. H. L. Wilson, Grants Pass, Oregon, dated September 24 said he intended suicide and judging from the decomposed body, ended his life on that date.

Two Firms Incorporate

The Diamond Sheep company of Portland, capitalized at \$25,000 filed articles of incorporation with the state corporation department here Wednesday. The incorporators are J. J. Rooke, F. M. DeNeffe and E. Doehring. Articles were also filed by the Tepeco Manufacturing company of Portland, capitalized at \$5,000. The incorporators are Victor Goetz, R. Teeple and Frank Bryan.

A rattlesnake six feet long, said to be the largest ever seen in Eastern Oregon, was killed recently by J. C. Kimball near Prairie City.

Actress for Whose Death 'Fatty' Arbuckle Is Held



Miss Virginia Rappe, motion picture actress, who died following a "party" in Roscoe Arbuckle's suite in a San Francisco hotel. The famous comedian has been arrested on a formal complaint of murder.

Spirits Sacrificed But Only Licensed Persons Can Buy

Kansas City, Sept. 29.—Choice lots of such famous brighteners as "Four Roses," "Jonney Walker," "Old Taylor" and "Old Crow" are soon to be auctioned in this city. Over 150 barrels of other choice wines and liquors will also be sold to the highest bidder. In fact every bit of high voltage stuff seized since prohibition will go under the hammer.

But there's the joker—only properly licensed druggists and manufacturers with the proper permits will be able to bid on any of the liquors. The "angry mob" will only be able to stand around and moisten dry lips with a still dryer tongue.

Bares His Soles to Secure Drink

Lawrence, Sept. 29.—The star witness for the commonwealth in district court went about in his stocking feet, an unusual occurrence in the annals of the local court. Michael Kane, the stocking footed man, had been deprived of his shoes and other effects while he slept on the bank of the Spicket River. One of his companions said that the shoeless man had volunteered to give his shoes for pawnshop purposes so that he and two companions might have another drink. At the end of the case which was continued, the court ordered Kane's shoes listed "Exhibit A" returned to his feet.

Moonshine Demolishes Islanders

Tokio, Sept. 29.—Isolated far out in the Pacific Ocean, between Japan proper and the Bonin Island group, raising nothing but sweet potatoes and rice, the inhabitants of Hachijojima are doing their best to make Japan's first attempt at prohibition a failure.

Mr. Doko Ota, headman of a little village on an island that is about twenty-one miles long and seven miles wide accompanied by a delegation of his fellow villagers was in Tokio recently to petition the government here to remove the ban on the manufacture of sake, Japan's native drink.

Because the natives of the island of Hachijojima lived almost exclusively on sweet potatoes and sake the tax on liquor did not apply to his hands. It was then that the Yamada, however, saw his chance to obtain a monopoly and a fortune and got the entire manufacture of alcoholic drinks in the island in his hands. It was then that the government in Tokio spoke. The old tax was not put back, but instead there came an executive order entirely forbidding the sale and manufacture of intoxicating liquors.

Since then, as Mr. Ota says in his appeal to Tokio, most of the islanders have squandered their scanty incomes on drink and they are faced with economic ruin. They have pawned or mortgaged their ancestral estates to obtain imported sake, or "moonshine" shochu, which is a strong spirit brewed of sweet potatoes. Their morals have deteriorated, he says, and they are even scoffing at the

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ancient tradition that Hachijojima is the home of sirens, for, they claim, if such is the case, why do not the sirens come to their aid, how that they are in dire need?

Movie Mad Public Pays For Photos

Los Angeles, Sept. 21.—The axe of economy experts, which has been busy in all of the great motion picture studios here, has now fallen on "movie" fans scattered throughout the world.

The experts have figured out that a saving of from \$350,000 to a cool million dollars can be effected for the studios and popular players if the fans are made to pay for photographs of the stars.

It was learned that a movement to charge for photographs and donate the money, over the actual cost of making the pictures, to some needy cause had been very successfully tried out by Mary Pickford and a Hollywood photographer.

Many other film celebrities have endorsed the plan and are now co-operating. Miss Pickford has been turning over the money received from the sale of her photographs to a Good Cheer fund for needy children, while other stars are swelling the coffers of a fund for aged mothers from the sale of their pictures. It is predicted by the managements of the leading studios that it is only a matter of time until all of the stars will enter into the new charitable picture distribution plan.

So next time you send for a free photograph of your favorite picture star don't be surprised if in return you receive a card which

reads about as follows: "Your letter asking for one of my photographs has just been handed to the committee selling the pictures for the benefit of the Aged Mothers' fund. There are numberless mothers who have sacrificed all their lives for their

children and who find, as the end draws near, they have been too liberal with others at their own expense."

For some time a careful checking of the requests for photographs made from all parts of the world to stars and studios has

shown in most instances the persons making the requests were attempting to make collections that would include all the leading players. Some of the persons writing have their appeals down to such a businesslike basis their letters are printed, the name of the player or studio being merely written in.

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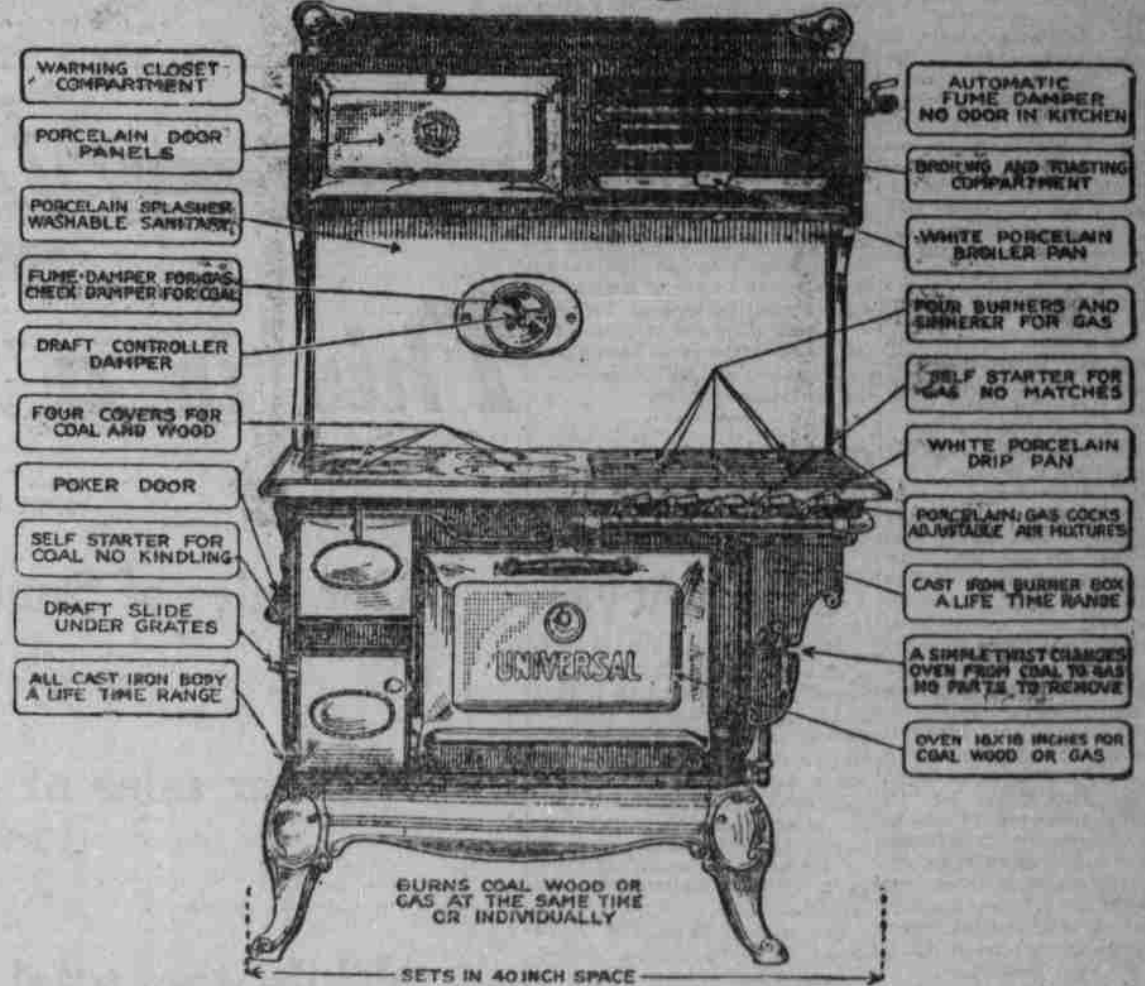
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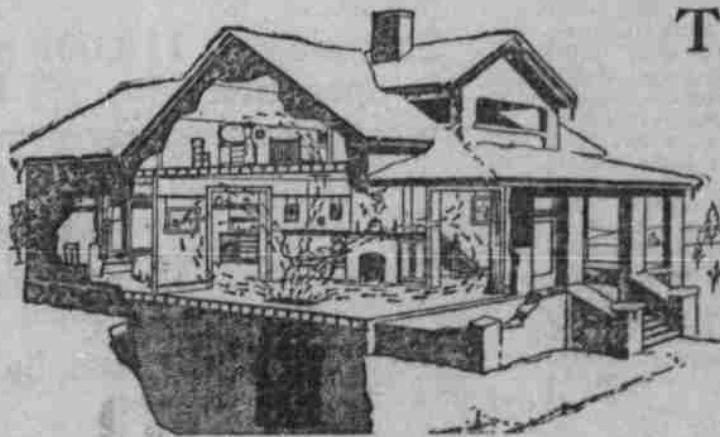
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