Colonization Is Difficult.

ITALY REALIZES DREAM OF EMPIRE

But From Where Will the Capital Come to Develop Ethiopia's Unexploited Resources? And Will Italians Colonize Country?

By WILLIAM C. UTLEY

7 ITH the annexation of Ethiopia by Italy, the Dark Continent le in nature. of Africa now consists entirely of "colonies" of the European nations, with the single exception of Liberia, a tiny negro republic on the Atlantic coast near the equator and just south in his conquest of the ancient kingdom of the Sahara desert.

Africa covers 12,000,000 square miles and is the home of 150,000,-000 people. For four hundred years the continent has been a colonial pie sliced up by the swords of half a dozen nations. Much of the territorial holdings in it are in the hands of three minor nations which are hardly in a position to defend their holdings against the countries which in the past few decades have as-@-

tugal and Belgium. They rule over 1,850,000 square miles of Africa and among their colonial subjects are 17,-500,000 people.

With her new colony, which Mussolini says will be developed to its full- 1,267,000 square miles of Africa, with est extent immediately, Italy now has possession of Libya, a vast stretch of country directly across the Mediterranean in a southerly direction from the mother country; Eritrea, along the southern end of the Red sea; Ethiopia. which includes the headwaters of th Nile, and Italian Somaliland, which lies along the Indian ocean and borders Ethiopia on the south.

Flanks Britain's "Life-Line."

This means that Italy has become an empire, that Victor Emanuel is no longer merely a king, but an emperor. The becoming what is probably the dom- tuguese territory embraces a little less | been Italian now for 50 years, there

serted their power more substantially. her colonial empire, and will have These three powers are Spain, Por- gathered another 10,000,000 persons under the Italian flag. With the new conquest, the population of her African colonies rises from 2.5 persons to the square mile to 10.5 persons to the square mile. She now controls nearly

a population of 13,350,000 persons. Belgium's territory, while it is large, consists almost entirely of equatorial jungle, which is not at the present very valuable. What its worth will be when and if the jungle of the Belgian Congo is ever cleared, is unknown. There are not many people able to exist in these 920,000 square miles, the population being about ten persons to the square mile, with a total of 9,584,000.

Spain's Share Sparsely Settled.

Even more sparse is the population only barrier that separates the two of Portugal's several African colonies, major sections of this vast colonial es- | chief among which are Angola, border- | ment of raw materials for Italian intate is the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. ing the Atlantic coast to the south of dustries. But Italian people are ap-Italy is now firmly entrenched along the Belgian Congo, and Mozambique parently not so willing to become colboth sides of the Mediterranean and along the Indian ocean on the main- onists in an unpleasant and uncomat the southern mouth of the Red sea, land opposite Madagascar. The Por- fortable land. In Eritrea, which has

> The entire Ogaden area, with the provinces of Boran and Bale, so completely conquered by the forces of General Graziani, are of little or no value, being principally desert. He has not yet moved into the rich agricultural regions of the Arussi plateau, although that is scheduled to be his next step. Cotton and other forms of agricul-

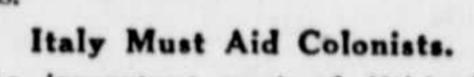
are only about 100 colonists.

peror Haile Selassie.

ture are considered possible in Ogaden, but only if extensive and expensive irrigation is provided. That is true of most of the regions which Italy has conquered in Ethiopia-they must, if they are to be of much value, be developed by tremendous outlays of capital, and fresh capital is a commodity in which Italy is lacking to a disturbing degree, especially since her trade has been pinched by the sanctions placed upon her by members of the League of Nations.

Recent picture of the defeated Em-

There has been some romantic gossip of vast oil deposits in Ethiopia, especially in the Ogaden district, but these have been largely denied by the facts. What mineral resources are present will be found for the larger part in the Danakil country to the northeast, but even these are uncertain. There is some salt, which Italy mined during the war-at a cost all out of proportion to its value in peace times.



The important part of Ethiopia is the central plateau, whose population is the traditional enemy of the tribes on the outskirts below. Here it is that Mussolini plans to put most of his colonists. The country is agriculturally rich and the climate, while it is not pleasant to white people by any means, is at least livable. While the plateau may be said to be conquered, it is not yet entirely occupied by Italian armies, the Gojjam and Shoa being still unoc-

If the colonization of the plateau is er country. The fact that the colonists will start from scratch will be a boon to Italian industry, for the demand for heavy goods for the building of a new nation should give millions more work. It is believed that the colonists will be able to raise cereals and live stock, finding a market for them in Italy and selling them for prices which will be higher than the world market for the same goods.

One of the principal problems facing the new Ethiopian emperor and his viceroy, General Badoglio, is what to do with the natives. It is hardly possible that they can be driven from the land; they certainly will not be allowed to compete with the colonists on equal terms, for they will be able to work for far smaller compensation, the Italians being unable to compete with their low standard of living. The situation will be much the same as that which the Japanese peasants found in attempting to colonize Manchuria.

With the exception of some little platinum and gold, the mineral resources of Ethiopia are largely a fable. The wealth, if any, which it will add to Italy will have to be worked out of the land in hard Italian sweat-and with the capitalization of hundreds of millions of dollars. Italy hasn't got

As a matter of fact, the war of conquest up to the capture of Addis Ababa and the flight of Emperor Haile Selaswhat the United States paid Russia for try will bring the war bill over the billion dollar mark.

But she has now fulfilled what Mussolini says has been the dream of Fascism for 15 years. Italy has become Africa on the eastern side of the conti- teau, is poor, the natural resources are an empire. It sounds big. And it earns Il Duce invaluable plaudits from

@ Western Newspaper Union.

Roomy Beach Pajamas With Yoke, Sleeves, Front Panel in One to Facilitate Making



Pattern No. 1791-B

ly smart and youthful beach pajamto minimize your sewing time and eliminate complicating tricks.

Large unusual buttons down the center front panel, a demure Peter Pan collar plus a wide self-fabric belt and the blouse is complete. The waist is gathered to the yoke in front and back, giving a flattering fullness and smooth appearance. Make this lovely tailored model in silk crepe, voile, or percale for lounging and gingham, pique, or linen for the beach.

Barbara Bell Pattern No. 1791-B is available in sizes 14, 16, 18, 20; 40

and 42. Corresponding bust measure ments 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42. Size 16 (34) requires 4% yards of 39 inch | ing in water. Too long soaking rematerial. Send fifteen cents for the moves the flavor and makes the fish

Send your order to The Sewing Circle Pattern Dept., 247 W. Fortythird St., New York, N. Y.

@ Bell Syndicate .- WNU Service.

The Mind Meter

HENDERSON @ Bell Syndicate.-WNU Service.

The Arithmetic Test

In this test, ten oral arithmetic problems are given. Read each one carefully and see how quickly you can find the answers. Do not use pencil and paper.

1. Add 81/2, 41/2, 31/4, 61/2. 2. A person has \$5,000 in the bank, He withdraws 25% of it. How much money does he withdraw?

3. A gallon of gasoline costs eight een cents. How much does twelve quarts cost?

Change 13/8 to a whole or mixed number.

a day goes thirty-six miles. How long able to serve a good meal. did it take?

6. What Arabic numeral corresponds with the Roman MCXI? 7. A suite of furniture costs \$80. The company allows 2% discount for cash. How much will the company receive on a cash sale?

8. A person has \$5,000 in the Plenty of room is included for ac- bank. He withdraws 25% of it. How tive arms and legs in this exceeding- much money remains in the bank? 9. A horse can run a mile in two halibut. as. Yoke, sleeves, and front panel minutes. Using that basis, how fast are all one piece cleverly combined can he run one mile and a quarter? 10. Change 2.222 into Roman nu-

Answers

- 2. \$1,250.
- 3. 54 cents.
- 4. 1%.
- 5. Four and a half days. 6, 1,111,
- 7. \$78.40. 8, \$3,750,
- 9. Two and a half minutes. 10. MMCCXXII.



When any portion of a velvet gown is crushed from pressure, hold the part over a basin of hot water, the wrong side next to the water. The pile will soon be restored.

A saucerful of quicklime placed in a damp closet or cupboard, will absorb all dampness.

A teaspoonful of mixed pickle spices tied in a small bag and added to the water in which fish, ham or tongue is boiled, will add a very pleasing fla-

When sandpapering surfaces that are to be painted, the work is made much easier if sandpaper is folded over a small block of wood.

Do not allow bread to rise too high before putting into the oven if you wish to have a fine grained bread.

Always make it your business to keep your larder supplied with about a dozen cans of soups, meats and fruits. When an unexpected guest 5. A caravan traveling eight miles arrives for lunch, you will then be

> To keep bath enamel in good condition, always put in a little cold water first. Exceedingly hot water is likely to make it crack and peel off.

> To prevent halibut falling to pieces while boiling, wrap in cheesecloth and simmer in boiling water. About 30 minutes' time is required to boil two and a half or three pounds of

@ Bell Syndicate. - WNU Service.

Wolf Is Member of Dog Team; Huskies Make Him Behave

Rev. Father O'Dwyer of North Bay. Ont., a Sault diocese missionary, uses a wolf in the dog team that pulls his

Snarls at the priest from the wolf invariably are silenced by the team leader, who administers a proficient beating. The wolf's night howls, however, often bring other wolves uncomfortably close, the missionary

WE WOULDN'T NEED











MY HUSBAND





OF COURSE, children should never drink coffee. And many grown-ups, too, find that the caffein in coffee disagrees with them. If you are bothered by headaches or indigestion or can't sleep soundly . . . try Postum for 30 days. You may miss coffee at first, but after 30 days you'll not only feel better, but you'll love Postum for its own rich, satisfying flavor. And it contains no caffein. It is simply whole wheat and bran, roasted and slightly sweetened. It is easy to make, delicious, economical, and may prove a real help. A product of General Foods.

FREE-Let us send you your first week's supply of Postum free! Simply mail coupon. O 1936. G. F. CORP.

GENERAL FOODS, Battle Creek, Mich. Send me, without obligation, a week's supply of Postum.

Fill in completely, print name and address. If you live in Canada, address: General Foods, Ltd., Cobourg, Ont. (Offer expires Dec. 31, 1936.)



Italian Planes in an Air Rald Near Addis Ababa.

inating factor along the life-line of | than 800,000 square miles, with a little

Britain's empire. Britain, with her prestige falling | nine to the square mile. apart because of the total ineffectualdown, now finds herself in a most em- mile. barrassing position.

Cape of Good Hope are no longer flanked 50 on the African continent today is given a great deal of aid by the mothby a nation without sufficient power to white. There are in all only about 3,000,worry anybody, but by the colonies of a | 000 whites. nation which is not only powerful in Africa but in Europe itself. And the source of much of the all-important irrigation of Egyptian lands is now in the hands of a power which is at present hostile.

Of the African colonies, Britain's are, however, undoubtedly the best. More than one-fourth of the continent is covered by the Sahara desert, and there is another large desert, the Kalahari, in the South. The average density of the population in Africa is about twelve to a square mile, as compared with about forty to a square mile in the United States. The density of population of the British colonies is everywhere above the average for the continent, while the possessions of every other power have an average density below the continental average.

France Is Biggest Holder.

France and Great Britain now share equally about two-thirds of Africa. The remainder is divided up between Italy, Belgium, Spain and Portugal.

It is France who is the largest holder of territory in Africa. She has the Island of Madagascar in the Indian ocean off the southeast African coast, Morocco, Algiers and Tunis. But since so much of her holdings include desert land-she virtually owns the Saharaher 4,232,000 square miles of territory have an average population of only nine souls to the square mile. Her African colonial subjects number about 38,500,000 in all.

proximately 65,000,000 persons. Including Egypt, these colonies cover 3,925,000 miles, making the population about 16 to the square mile. The British colonies, which stretch the full length of nent, are the most inhabitable sections.

Spain's 140,000 square miles of Afriity of her campaign in the League of can territory, chiefly in Morocco and Nations to stop the Italian course of on the Atlantic seaboard west of the empire, and the utter failure of her | Sahara, are inhabited by only about fleet to bluff Il Duce into backing 900,000 persons, or 6.5 to the square

over 7,000,000 inhabitants, or about

The popular conception that colonies Not only has she suffered great loss of in Africa offer the European colonizing respect in the eyes of the world, but she | nations an outlet for their excess populahas ceased to dominate the route to India tions has been proved more or less false. through the Suez canal. Her line of col- With all the colonization and empire onies which stretch from Cairo to the building of 400 years, only one person in to be successful, the colonists must be

> It is also doubtful that the Dark Continent and its people present any great market for goods manufactured in Europe. Natives, largely of a prim-



Pietro Badoglio, Italy's new viceroy | the hundreds of millions. of Ethiopia, surveys the lay of the

itive character, require little of the | sie had cost the Italians approximately manufactured goods of civilization. It \$900,000,000, or more than 100 times may be possible that with continued development this market will be built | Alaska. The cost of pacifying the coun-Britain's colonies are the home of ap- up. But such development takes an

That is the one big disappointment

land as an aide points it out to him.

enormous amount of capital.

to Italy in her conquest of Ethiopia. The land, exclusive of the central plaridiculously less than they have been In annexing Ethiopia, Italy will have estimated in the popular fancy of those his people. added about 350,000 square miles to who seek to justify Il Duce's bloody