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At war prices for meat, we will all soon be tegetarians.

No School board nominations this time. Selection of School board members will come later.

That nonpartisan election commissioner's office is about as nonpartisan as our Water coard establishment.

If the administration's war tax plans mature, id John Barleycorn is to get a chance to help toot the war bill for us.

The crooked lawyers and shake-down blackmallers have a bond in common that rallies them round one of their kind.

One war has been averted, at least; the New Haven and the federal government have come to terms for peaceful dissolution of the road.

"Who put the trip in the "Triple Alliance?" emands the Wall Street Journal. The same tellow who alipped it into the "Triple Entente."

If Mr. T. "Withdrawal" hurries he may yet get in several more withdrawals and withdrawals of withdrawals by the time the voting booths

It is up to our democratic friends to decide whether they want to "Win with 'Met'" or be "Beat with Berge," or get "Marconed with More-

Let us pause in our paeans of peace long enough to note that seven declarations of war were issued in nine days. Not so slow for such blissful age.

Why the Germans set out to capture Liege first is now explained by a Kansas editor, who says, "I stopped there once and got one of the best meals I ever ate for a very small sum."

From the esteemed Kansas City Journal it is earned that the European war has had the efect of checking the reorganization of the Orient road. Well, someone had to furnish a check for it.

State house officials think that by reason of the safeguards in the voting by-mail law apprehended complications will not materialise. More than that, the chances are that the votes-bymail will not/materialize in appreciable number.

Yes, voters in falor of making the Omaha water works a republican political machine will dorse the present "nonpartisan" management. But voters who want the plant divorced from politics, as the law contemplates, will demand a new deal.

Lawyer Brome denies that he either had anything to do with that odorous bribery plot or knew anything about it. Editor Polcar also denied that be had anything to do with it or knowledge of it, but in the search the goods were found on his person.

It is significant that mighty little of the indignation that racks Senators Reed and Bitchcock finds response elsewhere.-Haltimore News.

All of which shows that the writer of this anippy paragraph is not a careful reader of the Nebraska senator's personal newspaper organ.



The Omaha stock yards received its first train load of stock, twenty-five cars, in all numbering 65 head. They came from Major Walcott's rauch near Deer Creek, Wyo, The cattle were unloaded and fed at the yards preparatory to starting to Chicago. It was Mr. Walcott's intention to self them here when he jeft the ranch, but the buyers here are not ready

P. A. Gavin and T. A. Keily have purchased a controlling interest in the Western Celt, which is to be hereafter issued as a weekly democratic organ.

J. M. Philips, deputy collector of customs, has returned from a trip to Yankton, Dak, where he went to measure the tonnage of a new excursion

boat to be used on the river. -Ed Leeder has taken a hunting party out to Grand

L. A. Stewart, 1013 Jones street, offers a \$5 reward for a missing yellow greyhound. At the close of the county teachers' institute the

members inch a atraw vote on president with this

result: Bladne, 20: Claveland, 9: Butler, 1: not voting, 6. The Burlington & Mesquri River Railroad in Nebracks has let the contract for building a new roundhouse near Boyd's packing house,

The American Express company has deeded the Wells Pargo company the east @ feet of block \$1, for a stated consideration of \$5,000.

War and Business.

What will be the effect of the big European war on business? Will it stimulate or retard our business prosperity? We - believe every thoughtful man has already asked himself this question, using the term "business" in the broader sense that includes industry, trade, prices, employment, wages and all the various elements of living cost. Will we in the United States, as a neutral country remote from the fields of carnage, suffer business depression, or will we benefit in a business way by the misfor-

tunes piled up on the over-seas peoples? While actual experience will alone furnish the answer, the probabilities are fairly obvious. Any colossal destruction of life and property or diversion of fruitful labor to non-productive occupations must be a setback to the civilized world as a whole, but in the uneven distribution of the burden it must work to the relative advantage of one country as against another. If such a war had to be, the United States occupies a most fortunate position, for it is not only selfsufficing, but has the foodstuffs and many other necessities which people in other lands must

Cutting off our importations forces us to produce at home the articles to fill these shifted demands. It means putting our labor to work at remunerative wages and giving our wage earners effective purchasing power as buyers in the retail centers. In this particular section of the corn belt, where bountiful crops are in hand, or assured, it means more money in the pockets of the farmers, to be by them put into circulation in all the channels of commerce. While a few lines of business may be disturbed and new investments on a large scale delayed, the general volume of trade should be increased.

It need hardly be added that the enterprising merchant and manufacturer, the one who is alive to his opportunities, who promptly meets the new conditions and pushes his wares by advertising and other legitimate means, is the one who will keep to the front, while the timid, bluegoggled tradesman will merely plod along or fall behind.

The Harvester Decision.

After a most extensive and comprehensive hearing on the issues of the case a majority of the circuit court of appeals orders the International Harvester company to dissolve, allowing ninety days for the dissolution. Judge Sanborn, dissenting, insists that the government has failed to make out its case or to show that the Harvester company has committed any lawless practices. Representatives of the company, as would naturally be expected, have promptly let it be known that their attorneys will appeal to the supreme court, so that the government victory is regarded as making progress, rather than as the final destination.

It is interesting to note that the main point on which the decision rests goes back to the organization of the corporation, and its acquisition of the component companies now declared to be in violation of the Sherman law. In other words, despite all the clamor for new trust legislation, we have proof here again that the Sherman law as originally enacted is able to reach practically all of the evils which the government has been able to uncover in any of the large industrial combinations.

A Defect in the Title.

No person with common sense would knowingly buy a piece of real estate with a serious | ders of many great men of her country. defect in the title. On the same score it would be foolish for republicans to throw away their votes in the coming primary to make a nomination that will not hold water. To a man up a tree the recent double-shuffle in congressional filings by withdrawal, and then by withdrawal of withdrawal, have caused only amusement, but the serious side is not to be overlooked.

The fact that a complacent secretary of state consented to restore to the ballot the name of a candidate previously withdrawn and erased, and to restore it, moreover, after the filing time had elapsed, does not put it there legally. There is no warrant of law for adding any name to the list on the ballot after the time limit, and the fact that the reinstated name was once filed and withdrawn does not again open the door. This being the case, a certificate of nomination issued to a candidate not legally on the ballot would not be worth the paper it is written on. More than that, if the defective nomination could be made to stick over the election, the certificate of election would be defective. If the next congress were democratic by a close margin, and the ruling powers desirous of another democratic vote, no republican pseudo-congressman with a defective title could ever hope to be seated from this district. If the withdrawal candidate were wise he would stick to his original withdrawal, or, even now, withdraw once more and finally.

The Little "Newsy."

The newsboys' annual picnic has come to be an event of special interest among kind-hearted women and stern-minded business men. The spectacle of several hundred of these proud little fellows in a street parade led by a band sends home some serious thoughts to the mind that looks deeper than the surface. The life of the newsboy is not altogether strewn with roses. Regardless of weather conditions, however hot or cold, he must be on the job. The field is always full, competition keen, margins close, markets variable, but there is never room for the laggard. Enthusiasm must remain at fever heat or the battle is lost.

Truth is, this is a business that tests the boys' fiber. In a way it means the survival of the fittest. It draws out of a boy every element of strength there is in him. It develops selfreliance and will power and whets the business acumen, or, failing of response, it casts the lad aside to make way for another. | Many big and successful Americans have risen from the ranks of the newsboy. It is safe to predict that othere are rising here in our own city. Remember that all these little fellows of school age attend school for their regular hours of study. As The Bee has recently shown, according to official statement, they are for the most part leaders in the school room just as they are on the street

Our United States senator is making the demand that the new federal reserve board grant a hearing on Omaha's protest against being included in the Kansas City district, although buowing full well that the former decision will not be changed. Let the protest go on file and then forget it.

The Bees

topics invited. The Bee serums no responsibility for opinions of correspondents. All letters subject to condensation by editor.

Mere's a Champon of Britain OMAHA, Aug. 12.—To the Editor of

Bee: Regarding the statements by German-Americans that the American press is more favorable to the English and French side of this war, allow me to say that so far the American press has not been able to get the German side as Germany has been completely isolated from communication with the outside world. That being the case, they naturally printed what they could get, and most reports came from London, Paris and Brussels. When Germany is able to present her side, I expect the American press will give just as much publicity to the German reports.

However, my personal opinion is that lermany should be given the greatest share of the blame for the war. I think we have only two nations on earth which we should watch, these being Germany and Japan, although both of them profess to be friendly to us. I claim Germany is not a friend of ours. We had trouble with her in the Samoan Islands, for instance and brain during the Spanish-American war, she interfered with Dewey at Manila, and if I am not mistaken, tried to buy the Danish West Indes to get a foothold on this side of the water.

Regarding England, France, etc., it is history that France helped us with men and money in 1774. We certainly should not forget it, either. Russia sided with the union duing our Civil war and England sided with us during our Spanish war. While we have fought and whipped England twice, still that is a thing of the past. We speak the same language they are our forefathers more than any other nation in Europe, therefore all English speaking people should stick to-

I was born and raised in this country and am Irish descent, but I oppose German militarism because I think it a menace to this country.

G. H. MURPHY.

Women and War. SOUTH OMAHA, Aug. 12-To the Editor of The Bee: Some of the suffragists who do not seem to be posted in history are claiming that the dread war now on in Europe would not have occurred had the right of suffrage existed in the countries involved. As women are made from the same clay as men, I do not think if every woman in the world had a right to vote it would make a particle of difference in the waging of wars, if history is a criterion.

From the time of the infamous Jesevel, the Hebrew queen who was counted one of the wickedest women who ever lived, down to the time of the suffragista in England, women have been capable of just as much cruelty, destruction and cloedshed as men when they have had the power and the chance to destroy,

Semiramis, the ancient queen of Assyria. was constantly engaged in wars and conquered all the civilized nations of her time. Catherine De Medicis ordered the St. Batholomew massacre when tens of thousands of the best citizens of France were murdered simply to appeare her cruel instincts and she was accused of intrigues that brought about the mur-Catherine of Russia was constantly wading in seas of blood during her reign and she was guilty of participation in one of the greatest crimes of history in the dismemberment of the remartic kingdem of Poland.

Even the reign of Queen Victoria of England was marked with many wars almost constantly waged during her long reign and cruel oppressions in Ireland. Then the suffragists of England of today are at constant warfare with the people and have left a line of devastation along their trail throughout the length and breadth of England, as if an army had marched through with fire and destruction on every hand. The present war in Europe and the work of the suffragists in England show that the proud boast of our advancement from the times of the Goties and Huns and Scythians has been but little, when the most enlightened nations oring a stain upon modern civilization.

Women are not much nearer being angles than men when they have the power. Women would wage wars as soon as men and the granting of suffrage with not stop wars, as was evidenced recently in the suffrage state of Colorado, when scores of men, women anad children were ruthlessly shot down. F. A. ACNEW.

Suggests a Municipal Survey. OMAHA, Aug. 12.-To the Editor of The Bee: Will a consolidation of city and county governments facilitate the public susiness and be productive of economy and efficiency in public office? Who can answer the question?

Logically, the first step would be to gather all available information as to advantages and disadvantages of the system of consolidation where it has been tried, and then have a special scientific survey made of all facts and conditions in order to disclose the factors entering into the problem as it affects Omaha,

When these important steps have been taken we shall be able to determine whether we, as citizens, would want to favor a scheme of consolidation. Such survey would cost a considerable sum of noney, but it would be folly to approach the matter in any other way. I offer this suggestion for the benefit of Mr. Green's committee.

Should such survey, etc., prove that the proposed consolidation would be desirable, then we should have a solid groundwork upon which to appeal to the voters of city, county and state for authority to effect the merger, and thus could enable the people to decide the issue intelligently. That done, it would not be difficult to attain the needed amendment to the state constitution.

My studies of the subject during the last year convince me that consolidation would most likely be highly profitable to Omaha taxpayers. I hope that Mr. Green's committee will take up the subject right end first and put it up to the people in all its phases. J. B. HAYNES.

Kansas City Journal According to Colonel Roosevelt, any rich man is at perfect liberty to leave the bull moose party. Why not? Multitudes of men who are not rich have already done so, and more a-conting

The Featheweight Champton. Indianapolis News. Considering its size you will have to hand it to Belgium not only for being game, but for being mighty effective.

German Version of the War

By DR. GEORGE BARTHELME. American Correspondent Cologne Gazette.

Germany Stands by Its Word.

Although the attitude of Austria-Hungary seems relatively casy to understand as a desperate battle for the preservation of the state, the attitude of Germany seems to meet with consummate misunderstanding. It seems almost universally difficult to appreciate why Germany did not restrain the Vienna sovernment from its "impudent" demands, and why it followed this by making the "unjust" Austrian cause its own, and drawing the sword in its defense.

Two most obvious reasons suffice to clear up this misunderstanding: Germany is bound by an alliance with Austria, and Germany is even more than Austria-Hungary the real object of the pan-Slavic movement, so that the blow, though directed at Austria, must inevitably strike Germany to the heart. Austria's cause is therefore Germany's cause; it is impossible to get away from this simple and yet terrible

The casual eye sees only the treaty that binds, especially in the hour of bitterest need. Should Germany now treacherously forsake its ally? This thought is so repellant and so shameful that it would be an insult even to answer it. Germany's word has been given, and Germany's pledge will be kept. When at the time of the Bosnian controversy the kaiser spoke of the Nibelungen faith and of the shining armor in which Germany stood ready to array itself behind its Austrian ally, he merely gave the expression to that firm loyalty which, as a trait of German character, shimmers like a golden thread through the history of the last 1,000 years.

Bonud by Common Ties. But Germany is bound to Austria not alone by a sheet of parchment. The two countries are bound by the chains of a common ancestry, of a sommon culture, of a common history and of common interests. Austria is not a German nation; that is precluded by the multiplicity of the nationalities that compose it. But its culture is that of German civilization, and it is the German outpost, the German sentinel, in that sone in which for more than a thousand years has been fought this struggle of Hun and Moslem and finally of Slav against the Teuton.

It has always been the battle of a lower civilization against a higher for the supremacy of the European continent. Or are there those reckless enough to say that the Huns of 965 or the Turks of 1685 or the Slavs of 1914 are the superiors of the Germans of today or of their ancestors of yesterday?

What we see today is but a repetition of the drama of yesterday, except that the role of the Hun and of the Turk is taken today by the Slav. It is the clash of two civilizations, the decisive battle between the Teuton and the Slav. Could Germany remain a mere spectator of such a momentous crisis-Germany, who is the standard bearer of Teutonic civilization and of Teutonic ideals?

War Lord Has Kept Peace.

In Germany's alignment with Austria lies no lust of conquest, no seal for power, no passion for oppression. And the "war lord," who must carry this solemn responsibility, needs no defense. He has kept the peace for six and twenty years, and thereby he has served, far better than with elequent orations, the cause of universal peace. Were he really the man whom this term of "war lord" is intended sneeringly to describe, he would not have had to seek long for opportunities for war, for they have arisen again and again.

Had he desired the destruction of Russia, how much more easily could be have accomplished it while she was struggling in her Asiatic war! For it would have been but play, compared to the Titanic conflict that has now begun. This alone makes all other testimony vain; for a generation the "war lord" has been Europe's firmest pillar of peace. And how earnest he was in his program of peace was testified to only recently at the Lake Monhonk peace conference by Admiral Chadwick, who related how the kaiser had declared to two prominent Americans in almost identical words-that the highest aspiration of his reign was to end it without a war.

If now, despite all this, he seeks refuge in the sword, it certainly cannot be attributed to his personal desire, or to warlike ambition. It is the issue of conditions that are mightier than the man. To thunder against such elemental forces with the imperial word were as futile as to bid the tempest cease.

The days of dynastic wars in Europe are past; the man upon a throne can no more inspire or co pel his people into an unpopular conflict than can the president of a republic. It is, therefore, idle to say that this European war will do away with monarchy, and that from now on its people will take their destiny into their own hands. For it is the people of Europe who today are clamoring for this conflict, it is the slumbering instinct of race that has been aroused. It is not the house of Romanoff that fights against the Hapsburg and the Hohensollern, it is the Slav against the Teuton. There lies the primordial cause.

But if this be true, what consequences will it bring to the other nations of Teutonic ancestry? For the three Scandinavian states, and even for Holland and Belgium, which are at least partly Germanic? And especially for England and for America? Denmark, Sweden and Norway will probably remain neutral for the present, although Sweden looks upon Russia as a dangerous neighbor and has recently called upon its sons in America to resent Fursian oppression in Finland. The neutrality of Holland and Belgium is guaranteed in treaties between France and England and these states are dependent upon the latter for their security.

Future Mennee to England.

England must decide for herself whether her immediate economic interests are to take precedence over the future of her people and her civilization. She must decide whether she is to aid a nation, alien in race and culture, in a struggle against her Teutonic kindred. It is true that the latter constitute an economic rival, but it is even more certain that the rise of the Slav must threaten the very life of England and English civilization.

Stand of Americans.

If this be true for England, how much more is it true for America? America, too, boasts Tsutonic civilization and Teutonic ideals. Or is America now prepared to give preference to Stavic over Germanic culture? The debates in congress concerning the restrictions of Slavic immigration give no hint of such desire. No, the cause of the Teuton, the cause of Germany, 'is America's cause; no thinking American can escape this conviction. Were he to judge otherwise he would outrage the highest interests of his own nation; to believe him capable of this would insult his intelligence and his loyalty. And his farfamed desire for "fair play" must finally make itself felt, after the meager reports of snapshot historians have been replaced by documentary evidence who it really was that honestly labored for peace and why it was that he failed. America sees too much through British eyes in-

stead of through her own, and this is particularly to be regretted, because it is so unnecessary.

But this much must be plain despate the insufficiency of the history of the day: We are dealing with something far greater and far nigher than a mere conflict between Austria and Servia or a war of conquest of Hapsburg or of Hohensollern, or the valu attainment of a "war lord's" ambitions. He who would judge this struggle from so narrow standpoint would measure the sun's diameter with a yardstick, Personal questions, yes, even questions of state, vanish into insignificance and there is nothing

left but the battle of two civilisatons." When Amerca has decided which of these is the higher and which is to be preferred it will be easy for her to take her stand

WITH THE WITS.

"No trouser cuffs in 1915,"
This looks like a rude turndown.—Cleve-and Plain Dealer.

Teacher-Tommie, paraphrase "the coolness arose."
Tommie-The Boston girl stood up.Judge.

Belle-Got a letter from Betty. Beulah-Did she forget anything? Belle-I guess not. It's got ninteen costscrips on it-Yonkers Statesman.

She-People are saying that you married me for my money alone.

He-They are mistaken. You had quite a lot of real estate.—Boston Transcript. The Justice—Ten for exceedin' the speed limit. Comin' back this way? The Victim—No. The Justice—Then it's twenty.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

It was Noah who was voicing the com-

plaint.
"My wife made me get up and shut
the windows every night it rained," said
he.—New Haven Register. Author's Nagging Wife-I wish you got a dollar for every word you write. Irritated Author-I wish I got half a cent for every word you speak.-Judge.

"Yee." said nonchalant Mr. Wombat,
"I was in Egypt."
"I suppose you stood awestruck before
the grand and solemn sphinx?"
"Well, I gave it the once over."—Pitts-

"Senator Wombat is considerable of an orator, I take it?"
"Oh, yes. He waxes eloquent in borrowing a match."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Brooks-Why aren't you wearing your patent leathers?
Franklin-The patent expired.-Penn Punch Bowl.

"Some day you may be president of the United States," said the candidate who was out setting next to the hearts of the was out setting next to the hearts of the people.

"You won't make any hit with that kind of talk around here," replied the small boy. "We're a votes-for-women family. Gq tell it to sister."—Washington Star.

"After all, Clars, it is not such a peri-ous matter if you quarreled with your flance. Remember, the wise one gives "That's just it; he gave in imme-diately."—Munich Meggendorfer Blactter Miss Young-What, in your opinion, is the best time for a girl to marry? Miss Elder-Whenever the man is will-ing.-Cornell Widow.

Boss-Are you the boss in this office? Clerk (acared)-N-N-no, sir. Boss-Well, then, don't act like a driveling idlot.-London Opinion.

BORROWERS.

So friendly are the folks that live Upon our quiet street.
That they borrow from each other Things to wasr anad things to eat. And though I am a bachelor.
I'm not exempt, dear knows!
They borrow all my garden tools.
And string, corn-meal and hose.
Stern experience has taught me
Tis uneless to keep track
Of all the varied things that go,
Not one of them comes back.

The rule is very poor indeed,
That works not either way.
So as they've some things I desire.
I borrow them each day.
And I vow that I'll get even
And will keep them. But. Alas!
My friendly neighbors call to me
E'er many hours can pass:
"My treasure that I loaned to you,
It's time to send it back."
I feebly smile, and say good-bye.
To Bob or Ted or Jack.
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