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States of Nebraska, County of Douglas, ss. Dwight Williams, circulation manager of The Bee Publishing company, being duly sworn, says that the average daily circulation for the month of August, 1914, was 56,554.

DWIGHT WILLIAMS, Circulation Manager. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me, this 13th day of September, 1914. ROBERT HUNTER, Notary Public.

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It is still time for Americans to lay off of foolish war talk.

Six weeks of European war does not seem to have landed anybody anywhere.

The Turkish ambassador talks like a man who had recklessly played the wrong card.

And the Star Spangled Banner still waves o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Last call for Ak-Sar-Ben! If you do not register at the Devil's hotel before it closes, you will be sorry.

If other cities do proportionately as well by the Red Cross as Omaha, the relief fund may catch up with the war chest.

Confirmation of the appointment of Lincoln's new democratic postmaster will disclose who's who in pie counter politics in this state.

Those who oppose the short ballot to be logical will have to start a movement to create still more elective offices, and thus make the ballot longer.

Civilized warfare is still war with all its cruelties and barbarities. It is just impossible to play the war game without hurting innocent spectators as well as combatants.

Another sad thought about it all is that occidental England should have dragged oriental Japan into it, for there is another day coming after the breach of this war is healed.

The revised income tax is to stop at an exemption limit of \$2,000 a year with an additional \$1,000 for heads of families. But it won't be payable until next July, so don't worry prematurely.

The Turkish crown prince and minister to France, who took their guns and went to shooting till one fell, may be unconventional, but nevertheless effective in their way of adjusting personal disputes.

A French war official, commenting on the relative paucity of deaths in the war, says only two of every 100 men are killed. Only 120,000 of the 6,000,000 engaged on both sides will die at that rate. What is 120,000 men!

Villa says when peace is re-established throughout Mexico he will go back to the farm and follow the plow. Good as his promise may prove, it might be better if he would go now and stay until peace is established.

Judging from his explanation about endorsements for the Lincoln postmastership, Congressman Maguire is another one of those statesmen laboring under the delusion that the patronage plum belongs to the most industrious autograph collector.

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Let Them Come.

According to Commissioner of Education Claxton, students pursuing higher education must now look almost entirely to the United States, for the time at least. So he has ordered the publication of a special bulletin describing facilities for professional and collegiate study in this country for distribution abroad.

While it reverses the currents of higher educational pursuit for Europe to come to America, possibly we may in this way be able to instill some thoughts which shall become the means of persuading older heads in Europe of the futility and folly of military government. The very proposition is a forceful reminder of the position our country occupies, sublimely isolated by war to serve the higher needs of humanity in diplomatic, commercial and ethical spheres alike.

The Test of Constitutionalism. "If we ask why it is that our system (of government) has not always been successful in other countries, the true answer is that it has never been entirely adopted," says David Jayne Hill, writing in the North American Review on "The State and the Citizen."

In most countries where the principle of constitutional government has been tried, superior emphasis has fallen on the person instead of the principle and the experiment has failed. That seems to be the main trouble with Mexico today. It has never been more than a nominal republic. The mass of its people are as ignorant of the real principles of constitutional government as those of a land in which monarchy has always existed.

In the United States the difference is noticeable. Except for the content over nullification and secession, Dr. Hill points out, Americans have not only respected the provisions of the constitution, but have regarded judicial interpretation of it as the palladium of their liberties. "There is something in the American character," says he, "that places more confidence in settled principles than in the trumpet call of theorists, partisans and petitioners of patronage."

That, of course, is comforting, when the air is so often clogged with the trumpet calls. So it is but fair to conclude that wherever outside of our own land we find a seeming break-down in constitutional government, it is not this which is failing, for nowhere except here has constitutional government been given a full trial under most favorable circumstances.

"Beware of Pickpockets." When the delegation from Omaha went to Lincoln last week to attend the state fair, the first exhibit which struck them full in the face was a profusion of placards bearing large letters reading "Beware of Pickpockets."

Germany's Lead in Surgery

By Dr. L. Ewald, Surgeon and Professor in Fordham University. War surgery is a special branch of medical science in Germany, with an established chair at each of its universities. No physician who did not pass his examination in war surgery is given his diploma and the permission to practice his profession.

The education of German war surgeons is in every respect much more thorough and complete than that of the French. Germany has possessed a special school of military surgery for more than a hundred years in the institution of the 'Peupiere' in Berlin. The 'Peupiere' has a constant attendance of 900 medical students, who, during the whole course of their studies, are being taken care of by the funds of the institution. Even their spending money is supplied by the government.

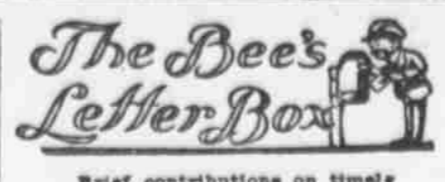
"Germany always welcomed everybody to participate in the results of her work extending over long periods. Recent wars have proved the efficiency and the high standard of German field surgery. Germany has sent more surgeons, more nurses, more equipment to the seat of war during the last thirty years than all the other countries combined. Anybody who wishes to acquaint himself with the truthfulness of this statement might take a walk to the public library and read the standard works of Esmarch and Bergmann and their comparative statistics of all the big wars of the last half century."

"I only want to mention that Germany sent to Turkey alone during the last Balkan war seven Red Cross expeditions, each equipped with hundreds of cots, sterilizing apparatus, complete operation room outfits and even all the small things needed not only for field surgery, but also for field nursing."

"I, myself, have witnessed the German sanitary troops (soldiers and nurses) that are trained to take care of the sick and wounded during German and French maneuvers, 'the war in peace.' I don't need to mention the English encampment of troops I saw, as they are a negligible quantity from a medical standpoint. In the attempts to find the wounded in the field; to discriminate between those who are severely wounded and those that will be soon re-located; the transportation of patients; field surgery and field nursing of Germany cannot be compared to that of any other country."

"The wounded are gathered up by men equipped with searchlights by night and with the assistance of dogs. Young German surgeons are directly in the firing line. They are designated to determine how severely the fallen one is wounded. They give orders to orderlies to transport the different wounded back to the first, second or third line of surgical field hospitals."

"It is a curious incident and so significant that France and England and even Japan for the last ten years received their supply of these first aid cases from German manufacturers; that all those carried by the soldiers of all nations bear the mark 'Made in Germany'; hence, literally, all bleeding caused by German bullets is stopped by German absorbent cotton; all wounds inflicted by German projectiles are taken care of by German surgical devices."



Brief contributions on timely topics invited. The Bee assumes no responsibility for opinions of correspondents. All letters subject to condensation by editor.

Some Thoughts to Ponder On. OMAHA, Sept. 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: I am a constant reader of your letter box department of The Bee and take great pleasure in reading the various letters appearing therein each day.

1. Many writers maintain that had it not been for the "Millitarism" of Europe there would have been no war. They say, "Look at the United States. We keep no large armies. We are a peaceful nation at peace with the world."

2. The same writers maintain that Germany brought on this war. If Germany wanted war—if it desires the commercial and military supremacy of the world—do you suppose it would have invited the hostility of all the nations of Europe as a consequence?

"An Act of Humanity." COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., Sept. 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: If these highly civilized Germans call the destruction of a loyal act of humanity, I would like to know what they call savagery.

Danish Emalty to Germany. KENNARD, Neb., Sept. 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: I wish to state that I hope Germany should be defeated as it is the most aggressive and overbearing country on earth.

No Backdown Here. OMAHA, Sept. 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: I have seen the letter signed by Mr. Fetterling (it should be Bluffing) where he makes some boasts what he would do to a German if he made a certain remark in his presence.

"The Day After." OMAHA, Sept. 12.—To the Editor of The Bee: "Has Christianity Broken Down?" is the question now asked alike by all mankind.

Editorial Snapshots

Washington Post: A new Panama treaty has been signed, but England will have to look into it later. Philadelphia Press: Talk isn't going to capture the world's trade for us. The way to capture it is to get busy and capture it.

MIRTH FOR MONDAY. "Is he a credit to his family?" "No, a debit."—Concord Herald. "Guerrilla" like two eggs boiled three minutes. "Drown two! Give 'em an easy death!"—Denver Times.

WAR. All nations were born by one law of the No difference is there to be found in His word: The Power from above, who has given us life. Never meant that it should be carnage.

"Gentlemen of the Jury, are you agreed upon your verdict?" asked the judge, presiding over a Texas case. "We are," responded the foreman. "Do you find the prisoner guilty or not guilty?"

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Rev. C. S. Witherspoon is about to leave Omaha having accepted a call to Youngstown, O. Mrs. Samuel Hubbell, formerly Miss Carrie Turner, is visiting at the home of her brother, C. B. Turner, 206 Capitol avenue.