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Biate 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 July.

1914, was 52,328. DWIGHT WILLIAMS, Circulation Manager. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me, this 4th day of August, 1914. ROBERT HUNTER, Notary Public.

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should have The Bee mailed to them. Ad-

dress will be changed as often as requested,

In the meantime, our soldier boys are watch

Late rains, remember, always put the pas-

But think of what the terrors of protracted

Carranza may be a prudent man, but he did

Note that the discreet Turk will remain neu-

The suffragists are going to interrogate the

Has it ever occurred to you that the country

The climax of our calamities comes in the

"With God's gracious assistance, the duke of

candidates, but kindly give them sufficient no-

war will mean with the rigors of winter added.

not show it when he handed the British minister

tral until it is safer for him to take the side

fully waiting on the Rio Grande.

tures in good shape for the winter.

bis passports.

against Russia.

the business.

tice to prepare a getaway.

gamblers shut off by the war?

destroy the dyed-hair industry.

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per month.

Allowing for bias and coloring, the only FOUNDED BY EDWARD ROSEWATER. conclusion possible from official reports emanating from all the different military intelligence bureaus is that the German advance The Bee Publishing Company, Proprietor, across the French and Belgian borders has been BEE BUILDING, FARNAM AND SEVENTEENTH. going steadily forward. Entered at Omaha postoffice as second-class matter

Had the kaiser's armies dashed across the frontier at the outset it would not have evoked great surprise, for the reputation of the German military machine had been built so high that it was believed to be capable of almost any imaginable achievement at arms. That the allies have held the Germans in check for nearly a month, and made their progress as slow and costly as it has been, merely testifies to the fact that the armies and fortifications of France, Belgium and Great Britain were popularly underrated, particularly their preparedness to resist sudden onslaught.

The Germans, however, concededly have the numbers, the implements of war, the war chest and the master military minds, which in combination constitute the formidable engine for aggressive campaigning. Germany has been able to pick for itself the field of operations, and its armies are not disappointing expectations.

Repeating an expression already quoted by The Bee, "The Lord fights with the battalions." While the fortunes of war may smile on one side or the other, in the long run the only way the Germans can be kept from the supreme victory is by the development by the allies of a superior military force, for which, if possible at all, time and money will be needed.

#### American Farmers in Canada.

While thousands of our American farmers who went to Canada have seen the error of their way and returned, the stream of emigration northward has not ceased. In March of this year, reports show, 5,800 experienced Yankee farmers took up their homes in the western provinces of the Dominion. They represented a combined capital of \$1,776,000 in cash and \$1,132,000 in settlers' effects. In the year 1913, of the 418,000 newcomers to Canada, 116,000 were citizens of the United States. Thus we see that while many are returning to the "states," after giving Canada a fair trial, others are going to take their places.

One effect of this migration for Canada will be good farming in its newer sections. Another effect for both Canada and the United States will be undoubtedly closer mutual relations, both from a business and political standpoint. Commercially, this effect is already reflected in the demand for American-made agricultural machinery, immense quantities of which are now going from our factories to Canada's farms. Thus, already the migrating American has created new markets for home industry.

Then the American investor has followed the farmer, just as the American drummer follows the missionary into the fastnesses of foreign lands more distant than Canada, In 1913, is running along rather smoothly with the stock for example, American investments, according to reliable sources of information, amounted to \$637,000,000, as against \$417,000,000 in 1911. Of this former sum \$190,000,000 went into knowledge of the fact that the war threatens to land, mills, mines and factories in British Columbia and \$40,000,000 into the prarie provinces. In 1913 Canada sold \$351,000,000 of new Canadian industrial bonds and the United Albrecht and his splendid army have gained a States took more than did Canada itself, while glorious victory." Oh, let us not drag God into Mother England bought only one-fifth of the en-

tire issue.

The Bees Letter Box

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

Here's a Bunch of Predictions. NORTH LOUP, Neb., Aug. 28 .- To the Editor of The Bee: There has been a great amount of discussion in recent years with respect to planetary disturbance on the earth's atmosphere by which weather conditions and rainfall are affected.

About fifteen years ago I began the study of this subject by sending each year to Washington, D. C., for the work known as the Ephemeris, or Nautical Almanac. This work is prepared three years in advance by the government, at hundreds of thousands of dollars of expense, and all positions of the planets, down to the minute, are recorded so that those posttions may be known by turning to the proper table. At the beginning of each year I copied into a small pocketbook the various positions and configurations of the planets Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and all moon changes, showing exactly the day and hour of the phenomenae and the

combinations of those phenomena. This gave me an opportunity to make notes on the weather conditions-temperature, wind velocity, tornado and rainfall. Many years I studied weather conditions from that data. I find that magnetic conditions stand at the bottom of most weather changes. Those magnetic conditions are certainly caused from reversel magnetism-otherwise known as positive and negative.

If I have reached the proper conclusion. Venus has a greater influence over our atmosphere than any other except the This is from the fact that its orbit BUH. is adjacent to the earth and sun. Magnetic conditions vary by the same rule by which heat and light are measured. Since Venus, being a very small planet, and Jupiter a very large planet, the former being near the earth and sun and the latter far from the earth and sun, to apply the rule of heat and light would greatly diminish the magnetic force of Jupiter on reaching the earth's atmosphere. To double the distance of the source of heat and light divides the force of heat and light by four.

In the study of this science for twenty years I feel certain that a set of rules may be established by which the wet and dry periods of the seasons, on any part of the earth's surface may be determined in advance of the phenomena. If this shall be accomplished the benefit to farmers in sowing and reaping crops and the benefit to transportation companies in protecting from floods would amount to hundreds of millions of dollars annually.

Some of the most exceptional planetary positions are to occur to the month of September, 1914. Beginning with the 15th of the month and continuing a period of twenty days, if you see extensive floods, windstorms, hail and tornado, especially in the Mississippi valley, do not be surprized. I am saying this because conditions seem exceptional.

WALTER JOHNSON.

#### Price Boosting Magnified.

OMAHA, Aug. 37 .- To the Editor of The Bee: I think something ought to be done to get after the unscrupulous price boosters right here in Omaha A lot of our

## The War-Who's to Blame?

Shadow of the Russian Bear.

Hanna Heinz Ewers in Fatherland.

This war had to come. Everybody in Europe has known it for years. Sooner or later it had to be decided which was to be master in Europe, the west or the east. The west-that means Germany, France, England and Italy. The east-Russia.

Germany's only foe, first and last, is Russia. Rusaia, first and jast is the eternal foe of England and Austria. Should Hohenzollern and Hapsburg be defeated, Russia would be the invincible enemy and conqueror of England, Italy and France. The defeat of Germany in this war would result in nothing else than the beginning of Muscovité supremacy throughout the world. A supremacy which sooner or later, but guite Inevitably, would overrun east Asia and America as Moll

Let the Yankee as well as the Japanese bear this in mind! For this is the most signal weakness of all our diplomats: they go in for a day-to-day policy. They lack that far-sighted breadth of vision which Bismarck had and which-even though only by instinct-has governed every move of Russian diplomacy for ages. The defeat she sustained in the Japanese war was but a pin-prick in the hide of Russia, just as the last Crimean war: hardly feeling it, she pushes her masses steadily on toward Berlin and Stockholm, as she does toward Constantinople, India and the shores of the China seas.

This is not an essentially German point of view: it is the positive knowledge of every far-sighted European. Bernard Shaw expressed this idea just as clearly as I do.

And so convinced of this is the German emperor that he lays aside all other considerations with the sole object of preventing it. He is fighting for Germanybut at the same time he is fighting for the civilized world.

Hence the violation of the neutrality of Belgium and Luxemburg; hence the desperate queries to Italy, Sweden, Belgium, Holland: "Are you with us or against us?" Which means neither more nor less than: "Are you with or against yourselves?"

Just as the Magyar was for centuries the guardiau of the west against Islam, so today is Germany the guardian of the west-that is to say, the world's culture-against the Turk's successor, the Russian.

Roots Go Back to Ancient History.

Arthur Bullard in the Outlook. I suppose we have all asked ourselves who is to plame for this tragic disturbance. We all have a deep impulse to regard the world as a melodrama, with a hero to applaud and a villain to hiss. But this is a question which is hard to answer. We may be quite sure that future historians will argue about it and disagree.

Since the first rumor of trouble the press agents of all the governments concerned have been trying to persuade us that the "other fellow' started it. It has not been a dignified spectacle.

I have been reminded of a strange sight I saw on my first visit to Paris. Two able-bodied and apparently able-minded men were quarreling on the sidewalk. After calling each other all the vile things they could think of they began to spit at each other. Americans one-half as mad would have been fighting. But, it was explained to me, the French law of assault is very severe on the person who strikes the first blow. If you really hate a man in France, the meanest thing you can do is to make him lose his temper and hit you.

The powers of the entente tell us that the kaiser first drew the sword. The Germans say they were insulted beyond bearing.

Where the aggression started is very hard to saycertainly Europe has not gone to war over the Servian dispute. The ill feeling which has caused this conflagration is very much older than that. We in America dislike the militarism which is associated with the name of Bismarck. But Bismarck could not have imposed his gospel of blood and iron on his people if all Germany had not been smarting under the insults of Napoleon. It would be easy to trace the roots of this conflict back to Charlemagne-whom both French and Germans claim as their national hero. And doubtless in industrious historian could fix some of the blame o Julius Caesar. The sad thing is that war will not liquidate this age-old hostility. You cannot make friends with machine guns. And, of course, the one wish of America is that peace may come again to Europe-to our cousing by blood, to our partners in business, to our comrades in the march of civilization. We should give thanks that we can be neutral in this conflict-we have friends on both sides.

# In Other Cities

o London's fifty, Pittsburgh is making determined efforts

o abate smoke nuisance Philadelphia is now using its new Northsast boulevard, which cost \$3,000,000.

Williamsville, N. Y., has celebrated a "Come Back Day" for the benefit of ex-

September 1.

Water from King Solomon's sealed fountain is now piped through the streets of Jerusalem. Cleveland's city paving is said by some

automobilists to be the worst in the United States. Philadelphia is completing two new mu-

nicipal piers between Catherine and Christian streets. St. Paul Christian Scientists have

opened a new temple at Summit avenue and Grotto street. Philadelphians plan erection of an office and religious building as a memorial to

Dr. Philip Schaff. Hollidaysburg, Pa., has demolished a building erected in 1765, to make way for

only. Women are forhidden entrance

and bleach, uncontaminated by the dust

age reasons, without pensions.

business structure.

to it.

of the city.

But yesterday this humdrum life, Its homely burdens, wearied me. Impatient I, and discontent. My cares were all that I could soe? Memphis, Tenn., school board has dis-

From dawn to dusk new tasks arosecharged a number of veteran teachers for How blessed each one seems today! he plain farm duties! How I joy Here, safe, protected, dull, to stay! A phonograph carried in a case resemb-

ling a camera by a man who frequents The plenteous fields are stretching wide crowds is a Parisian advertising novelty. The quiet village lies below, No rumor comes of pillage, want, There's no alarm of threatening foel The Aslatic town of Malwatchi, on the borders of Russia, is inhabited by men

Gay hollyhocks nod by the wall, The boughs with ripening fruit hang

low, rom yonder out field sounds the voice Of one whose fealty well I know! An enterprising laundryman in Paris uses a captive balloon to lift the clothing which he washes high into the air to dry God pity woman overses.

Who husbands, sons, must give to die! God make me thankful! They deserved Love, safety, peace, as much as I!"



#### JUST IN FUN.

What business are you going to put

"Well, I haven't decided yet; but, judg-ing from the hours he keeps, I should say he was naturally out out for a milkman." -Sydney Bulletin.

"How's your boy getting along in col-

lege""""Not well. They batted him out of the box in the third inning the other day."- Detroit Free Press.

"I hear you married Thompson's di-orced wife."

Summertime. Riding is so bumpy, Walking is so hot, Tennis Makes you grumpy, Golf is worse a lot, Never mind the diet.

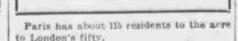
Keep your conscience free, Just a keepin' quiet-That's enough for me. -Cleveland Plain Dealer,

#### THE LESSON.

Ella A. Fanning in New York Sun.

She gazes at her little brood, Their clamorous wants ahe must supply. New tenderness is in her tones-"Oh. blest and happy mother I!

## "Come Back Day" for the benefit of ex-lies. Cleveland will enforce city ordinan-se prohibiting sale of parlor matches after September 1. script



As on the Sea of Galilee The Christ is whispering "Peace!"-Whittler. But the voice seems for the time to be lost in the roar of battle.

The war has already knocked Boston out of its grand opera season. Grand opera got its knockout in Omaha, not through the war, but through the bunco methods of the over-greedy managements.

In adjoining columns Premier Asquith and Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg tell us that Germany and England, respectively, are to blame for the war, and the duty of neutral Americans is to let it go at that for the present.

The method of appointment, however, let us repeat, and also the tenure and terms of service of appointive officials, are but details of any short ballot plan that can be readily adjusted without affecting the principle involved.

The democratic state editors want to lay plans for an early and continuous campaign in Nebraska. It is all right to lay plans, but with the European war occupying the center of the stage, attempts to carry them out will be wasted effort.

And now we are told that the neutrality of Belgian territory was but a pretense, anyway; that Belgium was fortified only on the frontier facing Holland and Germany, and freely open on the sides toward France and England. If so, Belgium must either have had a hunch all the time or have wilfully invited trouble.



The paving of Farnam street, toward the completion of which its merchants have long cast anxious eyes, was finished today. The street car company completed its part of the street, and ran its track up to the west line of Fifteenth, which looks as if it intended at no distant day to run its care past the new court house.

A new republican state committee has been organused with C. E. Yost as chairman. The Omaha members are Isaac Hascall and W. F. Bechel.

The Union Pacifics outclassed the Keokuks in their game, which resulted in a 7 to 9 nothing victory for the home team.

The resignation of General Manager S. H. H. Clars. of the Union Pacific is officially announced by President Charles Francis Adams. The same order makes S. R. Callaway second vice president and general manager, effective September 1.

Rev. T. C. Hall and bride returned from Europe today.

Miss Annie Scannell, who has been visiting her uncle, John Hussie, left for her home in Chicago. Goodly Brucker returned from an extensive westarn trip lasting six weeks, during which he went as

far as San Francisco and Portland. Andy McAusland of New York City is in Omaha visiting relatives and friends.

J. M. Fairchild, the expert electrician, who has been here for the last nine months installing the electric light plant, has returned to New York.

Just here it is interesting to note a revival of the fear in England that this steady coming together of the business elements of Canada and the United States is sure to produce what Mother England pleases to call the "Americanization of Canada." From the figures just quoted, it appears that the dear old mother is not doing all she might in the premises to ward off such a baleful contingency. Canada and the United States are bound to come even yet closer together from every standpoint, simply for the reason that it is to their mutual advantage and,

so far as Americans are concerned, they are not greatly exercised over these periodical tides of emigration flowing into the Dominion.

#### How to Beat the Price Boosters.

A number of our American cities are meeting the conditions of high living cost through artificial price boosting by opening municipal markets for direct exchange of food articles between producers and consumers. The first successful example of this sort of municipal activity was set by the mayor of Indianapolis a year or so ago, when he bought potatoes on municipal account and sold them to poor people at cost. Chicago city authorities are just now arranging to open up seven municipal markets at strategically located points that will cut out greedy middlemen's profits. Omaha is hardly up to this method of self-defense, but it is well to keep in mind the possibility of resort to it in case of necessity.

#### Answering When Opportunity Knocks

The new president of the Burlington railroad system, Hale Holden, is a comparatively young lawyer, with almost no experience as a railroader. His chief claim to fame just now is that he had an opportunity thrown in his way one day and cinched it "clean and cold," as we say here in the west.

Chosen to represent the railroads in the famous Minnesota rate case at a time when he was recognized as a fairly good lawyer at the Kansas City bar, he had sense enough to know that this was a chance of a lifetime. Maybe John J. Ingalis was right, after all. Anyway, Hale Holden was taking no chances on opportunity knocking twice at his door. He laid himself out on that brief. He was right in thinking it might land him something big.

The brief caught the eye of James J. Hill, and it must have been exceptional to do that. Mr. Hill's eye is small, but it never fails to get all 'round the biggest objects. Mr. Hill in 1907 offered Mr. Holden the position of general attorney for the Burlington, and three years later he was advanced to assistant to the president. and then vice president. Now, at the age of 45, Mr. Holden becomes president of the road.

"We are children groping in the dark," exclaims an eminent local military expert concluding a critical editorial analysis of the progress of the war. And no one rises to dispute the assertion.

It seems those moratoriums over in Europe look so luscious that a member of congress just couldn't resist the temptation to propose one for us over here in the United States.

shopkeepers have marked things up that have been standing on their shelves for months or years just because they have the war protext. A friend of mine broke his glasses, and when he had the lens replaced discovered that he was being charged quite a little more than he paid the last time, and when he protested he was told that the price had gone up because some of the lenses used by opticians come from Germany. Are people going to stand for that all along the line? KICKER.

#### Workmen's Compensation.

OMAHA, Aug., 38 .- To the Editor of The Bee: The writer of the letter signed "A Taxpayer," assumes that the so-called workmen's compensation law enacted by the last legislature will go into effect when the referendum vote is cast at the coming election; that the law will put an end to personal injury litigation as between employer and employee; and that on account of the decrease in litigation. the number of judges in this district should be reduced, to save a few thousand dollars expense to the county.

"A Taxpayer" puts the dollar above the man. The so-called compensation law, which in my judgment was passed through the tireless efforts of the insurance lobby, is not a compensation law in any true sense of the word, but is purely and simply a confiscation law of the worst description. It confiscates or takes from the laboring man practically every right that he has worked more than a generation to acquire. And further than this, it would not do away with litigation or lessen litigation as "A Taxpayer" seems to think.

There is no provision in this so-called compensation law which insures the payment of even the measure allowances which it provides. If the employer refuses to pay the installments from week to week, the injured employee will be obliged to bring suits in endless number, which instead of decreasing, will increase the litigation.

Where, at the present time, for total disability the laboring man, would get a verdict from a jury of probably \$25,000 or more, if eventually successful under this law, get probably \$5,000 or \$8,000 in the course of thirty years.

But if the laboring men of this state will read this law and use their brains to think about it; and if the people of this state in general will exercise their humanity and their consideration for their fellowmen, this law will be overwhemingly defeated.

So far as the injured man is concerned, the best provision in the law is that relating to total disability, and this provision is so inhuman as to be almost unthinkable.

Will the people of this state rote for such an inhuman thing as this so-called compensation law, and forever deprive the laboring man of the rights that he now has, even in order to reduce the number of our judges, or save "A Tax payer" the few pennies that he may have to contribute to the maintainance of our courts as at present conducted?

More than \$5,000 of the electors of this state filed a petition asking that this question be submitted to the voters at the referendum election next November, and they will then have an opportunity of answering the question.

GEORGE E. NORMAN. Former President Central Labor Union of Omaha.

Breaking Point of Military Competition. George Horace Lorimer in Saturday Evening Post. To understand this war you may forget all about Hohenzollern and Hapsburg, Slav and Teuton, Servia and the Archduke Francis Ferdinand. A monarch applied the match, but the institution of monarchy had little to do with it. Republican France contributed as much to the conflagration as monarchial Austria, and democratic England almost as much as autocratic Russia.

There was a situation in Europe which could issue only in war or disarmament, and efforts in the lafter direction were unavailing. Military competition among the great powers had been steadily increasing for ten years until the tension had become almost unbearable. Then came a supreme affort, Germany raised her extraordinary war contribution of a quarter of a biliion dollars by drastic special taxes on top of the heavy ordinary taxation. France lengthened the term of active military service from two years to three. Russia adopted a scheme of hugely augmented military expenditure. England lifted her naval appropriations to an unprecedented figure.

A man can't stand on tiptoe indefinitely. Military competition could scarcely be pushed further. There must be a letdown or a fight.

The proximate cause-Austria's irritation against Servin-was trivial enough. But the real cause was national jealousy, suspicion and hatred-carefully ed and exploited everywhere by the military class and the noisy few who find a profit in war. The grand stock in trade of these fomenters of war is that barbarous patriotism which is mercly a modern extension of the tribal sentiment that made the Indian who lived on the south side of the creek consider it a pious dity to kill one living on the north side whenever he got a chance. Whatever the cost of this war, there will be another some day if Frenchmen are still taught to hate Germans, Germans to hate Russians, and so on

## People and Events

The estate of B. F. Keith, the theater owner, admitted to probate in Pittsburgh, is valued at \$2,000.000. Gus Bruno, at one time a prominent character

omedian, died on Monday in New York, aged 65 years. Thomas G. Plant, a retired shoe manufacturer of

Wolfboro, N. H., was fined 1 cent and costs for beating a reporter, who tried to take pictures of his estate. Plant has appealed the case.

The American minister at The Hague, Prof. Henry Van Dyke, danies a report published in Berlin that his son had enlisted in the German army.

Florencio Constantino, the operatic tenor, is again confined to prison for debt. His bondamen gave him up. He owes \$50,000 to Oscar Hammerstein, on a jugment for breach of contract.

Three Smithe have filed for places on the primary ticket at Atlanta, Ga. They, are Frank F. Smith, city tax collector; John Y. Smith, recorder, and Charles W. Smith, for alderman,

A son was born in London on Monday to the Princess Arthur of Connought: Prince Arthur and the duches of Fife were married on August 15, 1913, at St. James Palace. He is a son of the duke of Connaught.

Benjamin M. Bolton, biologist of the Maryland agricultural experiment station, at College Park, Md., has been engaged by the Cuban government to take charge of extermination of hog choiers in the island republic.





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