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Back to the War Game.

Whether the recent exchange of peace notes between the European belligerents through intermediary neutrals was merely a war maneuver, as charged by the Allies, or undertaken in good faith, as insisted on by the Central Powers, it is plain that nothing has been accomplished toward immediate opening of peace negotiations.

Rumors are rife of new phases of warfare yet to be developed, notwithstanding the common impression that the refinement of modern barbarism in the prosecution of the war have already run the limit of man's inventive genius.

If the war game must go on, the faster and more furious it is waged the quicker will come the ending for which all of us are waiting and hoping.

Again does President Wilson find it necessary to mildly but firmly admonish congress that it must give more attention to the program he has laid before it.

Legislative bills pile up in the usual prodigal way. The high cost of raw paper carries no shock to those who do not foot the bills.

Nebraska National guardsmen were turned out of service on a freezing cold day without even their overcoats.

Without exception every wonder-working project advanced for the betterment of the dear people has its terminus at the public treasury.

The addition of five new rear admirals to the service on land to that extent advances preparedness. The officer contingent of the navy lends just as much dignity to the uniform as though they trod the quarterdeck and sniffed the spume of the briny deep.

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A Russian Religious Impostor

The recent assassination in Petrograd of the man widely known as Gregory Rasputin has removed from the field of social and political life in Russia one of the most extraordinary as well as one of the most successful impostors who ever made religion a cloak for ambition, sensuality and vice.

About the beginning of the present century, when he was approaching middle life, Gregory happened to fall in with an itinerant Siberian preacher, and under the latter's influence he ostensibly reformed, repented and became converted.

The supposition that a middle-aged, profligate Siberian muzhik could make a career for himself in the higher circles of St. Petersburg society would have seemed at that time so improbable as to be almost ridiculous; but the daring, quick-witted, unscrupulous religious impostor was well on the road to success in less than three months.

Accounts differ as to the circumstances in which the czar first met him; but in the winter of 1906-1907 he seems to have been received at the winter palace and to have been presented to the empress.

In the early part of 1909 Bishop Theofan received so many complaints of Rasputin's continued bad conduct that he again summoned him before an ecclesiastical court, which, after hearing his defense, directed him to seclude himself for a year in a monastery and there "listen to spiritual admonition."

Germany's Latest Sea Venture.
If reports reaching shipping centers are accurate, Germany seems for once to have done the obvious. Instead of relying entirely on its submarine navy the naval department of the kaiser has taken advantage of experience and now presents a new, but not entirely unexpected, evidence of its energy.

Kill the Child Insurance Bill.
A bill fathered by Bennett of Douglas, doubtless by request, in the senate at Lincoln should not be allowed to leave the committee room. It provides for permission to fraternal insurance societies to write policies on children between the ages of 2 and 18, with the parents as the beneficiaries.

Pork and Partisanship
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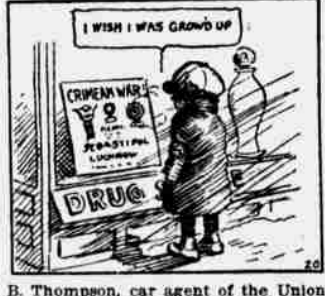
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Health Hint for the Day.

While children with whooping cough are best kept out of doors with the disease, they should not be allowed to play with well children until after six weeks and after all coughing of phlegm has ceased.

One Year Ago Today in the War.
Allied warships bombarded Bulgarian port of Desatshatch. Turkish army driven westward upon Armenian border.

In Omaha Thirty Years Ago.
In the drug store of Leslie & Leslie, corner Sixteenth and Dodge, three valuable medals were displayed, belonging to W. Thompson, retired officer of the English army and father of R.



R. Thompson, car agent of the Union Pacific. They commemorate the capture of Sebastopol, the Crimean war in general and Lucknow.

Articles of incorporation were filed on the Omaha Lithographing company. The incorporators are J. D. Jones, Frank J. Devlin and E. L. Marthing. Superintendent Mahoney of the poor farm is caring for nearly 100 patients.

Thirty employees of the firm of Max Meyer & Co. all gathered about the banquet board in the music hall of the establishment, the occasion being a farewell supper given in honor of David Silberstein, who, after eight years in the employ of the firm, starts into the cigar business for himself.

The Day in History.
1732—Richard Henry Lee, one of the organizers of the American revolution, born at Stratford, Va. Died at Chantilly, Va., June 19, 1794.

The Day We Celebrate.
John A. Kuhn, department manager of the Uplike Grain company, is celebrating his forty-third birthday. He was born in Chicago and started in as office boy.

Timely Jottings and Reminders.
The Congregational Order of Hoo-Hoo, the big social organization of the lumber industry, completes the twenty-fifth year of its existence today.

When Miss Eleanor Klinger, fashion model, and Vera, a girl of that name, were married today in St. Vincent de Paul's church, New York City, they will wear black from head to foot.

Civil service employees of Chicago, 500 strong, have formed a union to protect themselves from the pressure of the politicians and the pie cutter.

The Bee's Letter Box

A Hen is a Female.
Omaha, Jan. 19.—To the Editor of The Bee: In publishing my letter in regard to my ancient hen I think you caused me to appear as having made some grammatical errors.

For the Truth of History.
Omaha, Jan. 19.—To the Editor of The Bee: The statement by Mr. Bell about the murder of the crown prince and his wife. They were killed on Austrian soil in the province of Bosnia, were they not? McKinley was killed by Czolgosz, perhaps of Austrian or some foreign descent, but America would not think of basking in the land of the murderer and none should therefore, Mr. Bell should understand the Austrian position was a most unjust demand on Serbia and was made for the purpose of producing war.

Some Questionable Laws.
Oxford, Neb., Jan. 18.—To the Editor of The Bee: I had the pleasure a few days ago of reading two letters in the same issue of The Bee, one from Charles Wooster denying the constitutionality of the federal road law, the other from Ernest L. Ireland demanding the repeal of the foreign language or Mocket school law.

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A thoroughly capable stock and bond salesman, preferably with promotion experience, is sought by the Omaha Bee. I do not question the patriotism of its originators of this law but they certainly stand in the shadow of poor judgment and short-sightedness and no one will condemn their efforts in future years more than the children who receive the effects of this law.

Big Day Saturday
At the 4 Sherman & McConnell Drug Stores

This has been a very busy month thus far at the 4 Sherman & McConnell Drug Stores. Business started out with a great deal of snap from the first day of the year, Jan. 2d being one of the largest days we have ever experienced in all of our stores.

Standard Medicines
25c Carter's Little Liver Pills for 12c
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