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THAT GERMAN BUNCO GAME.

Do our well-intentioned people of German birth or ancestry grasp the full significance of the checks and drafts they sent to Ambassador Bernstorff before he was kicked out of Washington and the endorsements on the back which The Bee has been printing in facsimile?

Kings and the Common People.

Now comes a story, somewhat fantastic, that Ferdinand of Roumania abandoned his allies in the war and submitted to a most humiliating peace because Emperor Karl of Austria had advised him that "now is the time for us kings to stick together."

Builders of Empire.

George Harris has now gone on to join "Tom" Potter, and "Tom" Hoxie, and "Tom" Scott and others of that glorious company in the happy land to which good railroad men go when through down here, and there he will take the news of how things are changed since the government took hold of transportation.

Decrease in Nebraska Bank Deposits.

The secretary of the State Banking board reports that deposits in the 929 state banks have decreased \$24,500,000 since February 25. Such a change might excite apprehension under ordinary circumstances, but at present it must be accepted as a healthy sign.

British Effort to Preserve Peace
Lord Haldane's Account of Negotiations Two Years Before the War

London Chronicle, May 14.

I did the utmost in my power to preserve the peace of the world," said Lord Haldane at Swindon on Saturday, "and I am proud of it now."

The Lichnowsky memorandum and the comments made upon it are a complete justification for Lord Grey's policy and of Lord Haldane's effort in 1912 on behalf of the government to bring about conditions which would preserve European peace.

"The chancellor interrupted me and asked me whether this was really so. I replied that I could give him the assurance that it was so without reserve, and that in the situation which now existed I saw no reason why it should not be possible for us to enter into a new and cordial friendship, carrying the two old ones into it, perhaps, to the profit of Russia and France as well as Germany itself."

"In connection with my remarks as to the events of last summer, he interposed that we had military preparations. I replied that no preparations had been made, which were other than those required to bring the capacity of the British army in point of mobilization to something approaching the standard which Germany had long ago reached, and which was with it a matter of routine."

"The chancellor seemed much pleased with Lord Haldane's explanation, and said: 'There had been much talk of our fleet and our army, and the steps we had taken, but that he understood the position I had indicated, and he was glad that it was a pleasure to me to hear this, and that I hoped I should carry him with me still further in my belief that if Germany had really, which I did not at all suppose, intended to crush France and destroy its capacity to defend itself, we in England would have had such a direct interest in the result that we could not have sat by and seen this done.'

"He said he did not dissent from this view, nor did he wish to hamper our freedom in such a case. But he wished to propose a formula; the balance of power was a phrase he did not like, though he admitted that the historical considerations I had referred to made it natural that some grouping should take place, and that England should lean toward the weaker side."

"I said I cordially agreed with the good intention of his formula, the working of which was that neither was to enter into any combinations against the other. If this meant combinations for attack or aggression, I was entirely of his mind."

cases were not at all likely, but he admitted that they were fatal to his formula. I asked him whether he would be satisfied with mutual undertakings against aggressive or unprovoked attacks and against all combinations, military and naval agreements, and plans directed to the purpose of aggression and unprovoked attack."

"We then passed on to the question of the German fleet, as to which he asked me whether I would like to make any observations," said I must. He and I had been talking with the most absolute candor and friendliness to each other, and I felt he would regard me as wanting in character were I not very frank with him about the new navy plan.

"He asked me what that necessary if we had a friendly agreement? I said it would be a less convincing proof of friendliness if Germany prepared its third squadron, and we should have no option. Still, I said, this was not so serious as the proposal to add a third ship every second year to the German construction program."

"After a pause he said he would consider this and 'die Sache ueberlegen.' The conversation up to this point had been largely in German, I taking to English whenever there was a delicate topic, and the chancellor occasionally speaking English, but nearly always German."

"That is a fine and soldierly attitude. It cannot, however, be the attitude of the American people, who feel dismay at the apparent prospect that the country is to fail to use the capacity and experience of its leading commanding officer at a time when every particle of the nation's military ability is sorely needed."

"What is the reason?"
Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, passing through Kansas City yesterday, refused to comment on the order of the War department shelving him with a clerical position on the Pacific coast.

Twice Told Tales
Cold Remarks.
The following was overheard on a street car one very cold day in winter in a Canadian city.

Needful Lessons.
Miss Anna was with an attractive young lady, and her bosom friend, having missed her for some time, called to inquire the reason.

The Bee's Letter Box

Be Patient With the Cleaner.
Omaha, June 10.—To the Editor of The Bee: Nearly every cleaning plant in the country is in need of help and they are now figuring on government contracts for millions of articles to be cleaned. It behooves the housewife to be patient and not expect her favorite dress to be cleaned one day and returned the next.

Service Appreciated.
Omaha, June 10.—To the Editor of The Bee: On behalf of the National Security League I want to express my appreciation of the splendid service rendered by The Omaha Bee on the occasion of Colonel Roosevelt's visit to Omaha last week and his address at a meeting called by his league.

Not Favorable to Abolition.
Omaha, June 10.—To the Editor of The Bee: I frequently note remarks by correspondents to the Letter Box relating to the bootlegging business (or rather bootlegging lawlessness) and voicing the implied if not the expressed sentiment that we should return to the saloon because illegal traffic in booze seems to thrive because the proper authorities have not yet concluded that the people meant what they said when they voted prohibition in Nebraska and no doubt many are aiding and abetting the illegal sale of liquor by going 'liquor blind.'"

Lines to a Laugh.
"Will of all the impudence!" exclaimed Mrs. Newbridge.
"Will of all the impudence?" asked her husband.
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"Over There and Here"

Out of 1,300,000 men called for military service under the draft law only 600 professed "conscientious objections."
The Great Lakes training station sends out an average of 7,600 men a month for duty elsewhere. The top record of \$211 was reached in May.

ON SOME TOMORROW.
On some tomorrow—when 'twill come—How soon none may foresee. There will be men and women met In social company.

"TIZ" FOR TIRED PUFFED-UP FEET
Instant relief for sore, aching tender, calloused feet and corns.

"TIZ" FOR TIRED PUFFED-UP FEET. Includes illustration of a person sitting on a chair.

TWILIGHT RACES
JUNE 11-15
All the famous trotters, pacers and runners from the Mississippi river to California will open their racing season at Omaha. Racing starts promptly at 6 p. m. Sandwiches and coffee served in the grandstand.

Benson Race Track
Opposite Krug Park. Admission, 50c; Grandstand Free.

Have You \$900?
It will buy nine of our shares. If you have not this amount, start with less and systematically save with us until you reach your goal. No better time and no better place. Dividends compounded semi-annually.

Cuticura Promotes Hair Health
Whet Itching Stops
There is one safe, dependable treatment that relieves itching torture and skin irritation almost instantly and that cleanses and soothes the skin.

TODAY
One Year Ago Today in the War.
Congress finally passed the espionage bill, giving the government control of all exports.

Just 30 Years Ago Today
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George F. Spinnery, special correspondent of the New York Times, is in the city.

State Press Comments
Kearney Hub: One year of food control has worked very satisfactorily and justified the government policy in that respect.

Whittled to a Pin
Minneapolis Journal: The sugar hog still has greater difficulty in getting into the preferential tariff through the tariff barrier.

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