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### THE WEATHER:

Partly cloudy; no change in temperature.

| Thermometer Readings: |    |
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| 5 a. m.               | 71 |
| 6 a. m.               | 70 |
| 7 a. m.               | 69 |
| 8 a. m.               | 69 |
| 9 a. m.               | 70 |
| 10 a. m.              | 71 |
| 11 a. m.              | 72 |
| 12 m.                 | 72 |
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### We'll Lick the Kaiser!

To win, however, takes team work. The Bee is enlisted with you for the war. It will keep you posted on what you can do to help.

### What's Doing in War Activities

# PARLEYS SOUGHT BY TEUTONS

## MILK AND ICE FUND BRINGS JOY TO MANY

Money Raised by The Bee and Used for Suffering Ones by Visiting Nurses a Great Boon.

"The contributors to the ice and milk fund of The Bee would be thrilled if they could see in the faces of children and parents the new happiness which has been brought into their lives by this fund," said Miss McCabe, the superintendent of the Visiting Nurses' association, in response to a question as to whether the money is actually accomplishing helpful results.

Miss McCabe feels that lives are being saved and homes blessed by this fund, and that in this indirect way it is a real contribution to the cause of America in the present world crisis.

A number of typical cases, out of many, were cited by Miss McCabe, who stated that appeals have come practically every day for help, even during the comparatively cool weather of the past week.

**Brings Ruddy Cheeks.**  
There was the case of a mother whose husband had died, and who had the entire burden of caring for her little family, consisting of a 14-year-old girl and two babies, one 18 months and the other 18 months old. The mother had been able to provide for many of the needs of the family, but could not get enough milk nor ice to care for it, to keep her babies well and strong.

The fund has come to her aid, and in the short time that the milkman has been making his regular stops, the children are already showing the beneficial results in ruddy cheeks and sparkling eyes. Two babies are becoming well and strong because of the kind hearts of the Nebraska people who have been providing the ice and milk fund.

In another home is a prematurely-born baby. She has not had a very good chance in life, and at the age of 8 months, weighs only six pounds. It is quite probable that without the aid of the fund this baby would have died before this. As it is, she is becoming a little stronger each day, and has a fighting chance, at least, to live.

**Wards Off Plague.**  
In another family the father was stricken with pulmonary tuberculosis some time since, and a short time ago was compelled to give up all work. In a short time the little savings were all gone. The relief society gave aid, but not enough to provide milk for the 2-year-old baby, the youngest of seven children.

Again the fund was called on for aid and, the baby is showing the result in an altogether unaccustomed happiness and playfulness. This child has not contracted tuberculosis, and the nurses believe that with the powers of resistance created by the food which she is receiving, she will be able to resist the attacks of the disease, and another little life will be saved.

"The government counts every life saved as being worth to the country \$3,700 in money," said Miss McCabe. "If this is a correct estimate, the milk and ice fund is a most profitable investment from the standpoint of patriotism."

**Dad's Heart Glad.**  
A fourth case cited was that of a laboring man who is trying to care for a family of 10 children. The youngest are twins, 8 months old. Little Jack was always a frail youngster, and because of that, perhaps, the apple of his father's eye.

The food which Jack ate did not seem to agree with him. The doctor said he ought to have good milk, kept cool and sweet. But it was hard, on the slender earnings of the father, to secure the needed food. The fund was asked to help, and now when dad comes home from work at night his heart is made glad by the health and happiness that he sees in the face of Jack.

And so it goes. Here and there over the city are families in which there is new joy because the babies are growing strong through the ministrations of the ice and milk fund. This fund is particularly acceptable, according to Miss McCabe, at the present time, because this has been set apart as "Baby Year" in the United States. That those who contribute to the fund are materially aiding in achieving the goal set by the government, of saving the lives of 100,000 babies this year, is the firm belief of the visiting nurses who have been connected with the distribution of the milk and ice.

### Austro-Hungarian Peace Rumors Declared Unfounded

Amsterdam, July 13.—A semi-official telegram received here today from Vienna says:  
"There have been many rumors lately that Austro-Hungarian agents in Spain and Switzerland have been seeking to establish contact with entente emissaries with a view to making overtures for peace. All such rumors are unfounded."

### Three Men Sail 900 Miles In Small Boat to Obtain Help for Marooned Crew

Honolulu, T. H., July 13.—After sailing 900 miles with two of his seamen in a small boat, in search of help, Captain Vaughan of the wrecked British bark John Murray arrived here aboard an incoming steamer from Fanning island. Captain Vaughan reported that 40 persons from his vessel and the schooner Annie Larsen, which was wrecked in attempting to rescue the survivors of the British ship June 9, were marooned on Malden island. The John Murray went down May 22, he said.

The sailing boat made the 900 miles to Fanning island in 13 days, Captain Vaughan said. Among the marooned are the wife and children of the Larsen's captain.

### GUBERNATORIAL BEE NOT BUZZING IN HOWELL'S CAP

Watr. District Manager Not Foot Loose, Even if He Were in a Receptive Mood For Honors.

According to his own statement, R. Beecher Howell, general manager of the Metropolitan water district, is having a hard time preventing honors being thrust upon him.

When Mr. Howell went to Lincoln Friday to protest before the State Railway commission against the abandonment of a track owned by the Omaha railroad, which gives switching facilities to the water plant the State Journal took it on itself to declare that Mr. Howell had been approached by prominent republicans and urged to run for the nomination for governor on the republican ticket in opposition to S. R. McKelvie, now the only candidate in the field.

"If I were footloose," said Mr. Howell, when interrogated, "I would not object to running for governor. I appreciate the compliment that was paid me, but I have several other things to think over which are rather pressing now, and which I consider of prime importance."

**Nor in Receptive Mood.**  
Asked if he were in a receptive mood he said: "No, I am not. But there might be conditions which would make me consider the matter seriously."

If the political wisecracks are correct, one of the conditions inspiring the popular uprising at Lincoln for Mr. Howell are traceable to the outspoken opposition of Mr. McKelvie to the non-partisan program of the Non-partisan league, which has been on the carpet before the State Council of Defense for disloyalty.

Another condition is the candidacy of Mr. Howell's political comrade, N. P. Dodge, for congress threatened with eclipse unless Howell's candidacy for the governorship might bolster it up. Dodge has been outspokenly antagonistic to McKelvie.

On the other hand the Non-partisan league is supposed to be for Senator Norris for renomination, while the Dodge and Howell elements have been giving aid and comfort to Ross Hammond, which might make complications.

On the democratic side the latest political dope is that efforts are still being made to get Richard L. Metcalfe into the race for the senatorship nomination, so far Metcalfe has shown no signs of responding and a powwow of the big ones is said to have decided to go behind Morehead as the only sure way to beat Edgar Howard, whom they suspect of catering to the Non-partisan league. Among the democrats Governor Neville is pitted against brother Charlie Bryan for a two-man race, unless some free lance breaks in.

**Wounded in London**  
London, July 13.—American wounded are now arriving in London in considerable numbers from the sections of France, where the Americans are brigaded with the British.

Speaker, her address to be given at 8 p. m.

Programs will take place at the following parks at 7:30 p. m. Sunday: Riverview, Clearview, Mandan, Fontenelle, Spring Lake and at James Walsh playground in Benson. The Sunday program will be held at Florence park at 4 p. m.

Program at Hanscom park at 7:30 p. m. Monday, with Madame Guerin as speaker, and at the same hour Tuesday at Gifford park.

Washington, July 13.—President Wilson today issued an order that the French flag be flown from all public buildings and vessels tomorrow, July 14, in honor of the holiday commemorating the fall of the Bastille.

A second flagpole was erected on the White House, from which the French tri-color will be flown alongside the American flag.

Greetings of the American people to the French people were extended in a resolution adopted by the house, Governor Neville has issued a proclamation asking all Nebraskans to pay "fitting tribute to France through a celebration of this day."

London, July 13.—Nova, the new star which suddenly appeared in the eastern skies in June, now is fading, the naval observatory announced today and as yet shows no indications of bursting out again as a star of the first magnitude. Astronomical observers, who have been watching the visitor nightly, say it is the brightest star that has appeared since Kepler's star in the constellation Ophiuchus, first seen on October 10, 1604, and which vanished in March the next year after reaching a brilliancy equalling that of Jupiter.



### FIRE AND BLAST WRECK SPANISH SHIPS IN HARBOR

Four Men Perish When Tanker Loaded With Oil Burns at New York; Three Million Loss.

New York, July 13.—Four men are believed to have perished today in an explosion and fire which destroyed the Spanish steamship Serantes, of 3,000 gross tons, in New York harbor, causing a loss of approximately \$3,000,000. The vessel, loaded with oil, was under lease to the Standard Oil company and scheduled to sail tomorrow for Spain. It now lies a blackened hulk off Bay Ridge. The men who lost their lives were reported to have been trapped in the hold. Members of the crew who escaped said the decks became so hot they were forced to jump into the water. A United States coast guard cutter hastened to the rescue when officers noted a great volume of smoke rising from the Serantes. Before the cutter arrived there was a tremendous explosion, apparently in the hold of the Spanish ship, and most of its superstructure was torn away.

### Holland Protests Against Blunder of British Airman

The Hague, July 13.—The Dutch government has charged The Netherlands minister at London to protest against the violation of Dutch territory by an airplane on June 22 when the machine dropped two bombs near Ouderschans, wounding one person and causing material damage. The government also asks compensation for the damage done by the explosion.

### Omahans to Observe Day On Which Bastille Fell

Omaha's observance of the French Fourth of July, the anniversary of the fall of the Bastille, will be a prolonged event, starting today and extending to Tuesday night.

Programs will be given by children at all of the city parks and playgrounds, under the direction of Superintendent of Recreation Isaacson and Miss Vlasta Sterba, director of pageantry.

The programs will consist of speeches, recitations, dancing of the French minuets, singing of folk songs and the playing of folk games and patriotic readings.

The observance of the day will begin at Miller park Sunday at 7:30 p. m., with Madame Guerin as principal speaker.

At the same hour exercises will be held at Kountze park, with Rev. F. W. Leavitt as speaker. Miss Millie Ryan has arranged for the Liberty octette to sing and Carl Seibert will sing the "Marseilles." Exercises will begin at Elmwood park at 7:30 p. m. Sunday, also, with Madame Guerin as the principal

### Sister!

For many weary hours Saturday a man held silent vigil in the lobby of the postoffice waiting for someone who did not come.

### IOWA MAN SEEKS EX-WIFE HERE TO HELP SAVE HOME

J. R. Thomas Professes to Believe Woman Held in Dur-ess; Desires to Renew Mortgage.

Thompson says he suspected there was an agreement on the part of the couple to meet in this city. Friday, at noon, he had Armstrong placed under arrest on a white slavery charge at Blair, Neb. The town marshal took the man in custody and notified United States Marshal Eberstein, who ordered Armstrong released on his own recognizance and to appear Monday to answer the charge preferred against him by Thompson.

In the meantime Thompson alleges that his former wife is kept in hiding in this city and he is anxious to find her, that she may join in an effort to secure the renewal of the mortgage on the property in which all have an equity, for the sake of the little daughter, and he is beside himself with anxiety.

"If she still has a mother's feeling for the child," said he, "she will meet me and help me sign the proper papers for the renewal of the mortgage. It is to her interest and to the interest of the little girl. I cannot help but think she is being kept hid under duress and because of this I may be prevented from getting my papers in time to save the property, in which she and her daughter are interested from foreclosure."

**New Star Now Fading.**  
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### King George Decorates Sea Captain Who Sunk Submarine Deutschland

New York, July 13.—Capt. John Thompson of the British mercantile marine, has been awarded the distinguished service order by King George for sinking a giant submarine in the Mediterranean. The mariner, who is stopping at a hotel here, said tonight he rammed the submersible after an hour's maneuvering in which the U-boat tried unsuccessfully to destroy his craft with shell fire.

The submarine's huge size, Captain Thompson said, convinced him that it was the former merchant submarine, a belief which was strengthened when a life belt with that name upon it floated to the surface after the vessel was rammed.

### DOMINIONS TO HAVE VOICE IN MAKING PEACE

All Parts of British Empire Will Participate in Conference to Determine Conditions, Says Premier.

(By Associated Press.)

London, July 13.—The governments of British dominions will have a voice in determining the terms of peace, according to Mr. Lloyd George.

The prime minister made this statement in a speech at a dinner given in honor of the Canadian editors, who are visiting England, at which Lord Beaverbrook was the host.

"This is a war in which we engaged the empire," said the premier, "when we had no time to consult the dominions as to policy, and it is perfectly true that the policy which we adopted to protect small nations in Europe was a policy embarked upon without any consultation with the dominions. But you approved it. Henceforth you have the right to be consulted as to the policy beforehand, and this is the change which has been effected as a result of the war."

**Imperial Cabinet a Reality.**  
"The contributions which you have made to enforce these treaties have given you the undeniable right to a voice in fashioning the policy which may commit you, and for that reason an imperial war cabinet is a reality."

"Another point in which you must have a voice is in the settlement of conditions of peace. We have discussed war aims and the conditions under which we are prepared to make peace at the war cabinet. We arrived at an agreement on the subject last year with the representatives of the dominions and we shall reconsider the same problems in the light of events which have occurred since—and we shall reconsider the whole of the course of the next few weeks."

"Canada and Australia and New Zealand, yes, and Newfoundland, they have all contributed their share of sacrifice and they are entitled to an equal voice with the representatives." (Continued on Page Two, Column Four.)

### Building Owners Blamed For Disaster in Sioux City

Sioux City, Ia., July 13.—The Sioux City public safety department of the city council and the owners of the Oscar Ruff building were held primarily responsible by a coroner's jury today for the collapse of the Ruff structure June 29, when 39 persons lost their lives. The verdict says failure of the walls of the building caused the collapse. Both of the F. X. Babut & Son and Ruff Drug company contributed to the cause of the accident, the jury said.

### COMING SOON!

THE MAN WHO BOUGHT A NEW YORK NEWSPAPER FOR THE KAISER

The amazing story of the life of the American who placed German institutions and "KULTUR" above the traditions of his native land will be published in The Omaha Bee in conjunction with the New York Herald.

"EDWARD A. RUMELY—SUPERMAN"

By Frank Parker Stockbridge, late managing editor of the New York Evening Mail.

Within a few days Rumely's magnificent dreams, including the revolutionizing of American agriculture and industry, the preaching of the insidious doctrine that might makes right. America gave this man's grandfather refuge when he fled German oppressors, gave his father wealth and himself millions, yet he devoted himself to a dream of converting America to the German ideal and carrying the kaiser's propaganda into every corner of the United States. The life of Rumely is a most fascinating story which every American should read at this time.

Watch for the First Installment in The Bee.

### DEFER DRIVE WHILE AIRING AIMS IN WAR

More Definite Peace Feelers Expected at Washington; Huns Turn Eyes to East; Belgium Is Pawn.

By Associated Press.

### RAINY WEATHER IN NORTHERN FRANCE HAS CAUSED THROUGH SOAKING OF THE GROUND, PARTICULARLY IN THE LOW LYING PORTIONS OF THE BATTLE FRONT, AND PERHAPS HAS HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE DELAY OF THE GERMAN OFFENSIVE.

It is a month now since the last offensive died down, swamped by the tide of a French success north of Compiègne, and there is no sign of the enemy's being ready to strike again.

The allies have been repeatedly pushing back the German lines little by little at various important points. These have gained valuable defensive ground and brought in thousands of prisoners.

**Belgium Held as Pawn.**  
German diplomats are again airing war aims programs and engaging in peace discussions among themselves. The chancellor has touched the vital question of Belgium in the relation of the status of that nation to peace, and has declared Germany does not intend to retain that country in any form whatever.

She is holding it as a pawn in the negotiations, he says, and the German government finds it expedient to explain this utterance in an official statement in which it is declared that the holder of a pawn does not intend to keep it "if the negotiations bring a satisfactory result."

**Bolshevik Rule Totters.**  
Germany also is exercised at the situation in Russia, if the utterances of her newspapers go for anything. The idea that the bolsheviks are retaining power by a thread is reflected in advice to some of the German organs. Fear that the German empire erected by the Brest-Litovsk treaty will fall is openly expressed.

Disquietude over the hold the Czech-Slovaks have secured upon Siberia, and at the prospect of an allied descent into interior Russia "from the north," the Murman coast evidently being meant, is likewise voiced.

In this connection it may be noted it was announced in Washington yesterday that British reinforcements have been sent to Siberia to assist the Russians and Czech-Slovaks in protecting the allied stores at Vladivostok.

Washington advises reflect the view there that further and more definite peace feelers may be expected. Germany is thought to have her eyes turned to the east, the gaining of control in Russia outweighing, in her estimation, all that she might have been inclined to make an effort to retain upon the western front.

**1,100,000 Men in France.**  
It is announced at Washington that the number of troops dispatched to France has grown to 1,100,000, some 90,000 men having left in the past week. The formation of three army corps from the troops in France, each corps comprising from 225,000 to 250,000 men, was also made known.

The Albanian campaign, although entirely subsidiary to the operations on the western front, has continued to be the most active theater of the war, so far as extensive gains of ground are involved. The advance, made mainly by the Italians with the French on the right flank, has already reached a maximum depth of 22 miles on a front of some 80 miles, straightening the allied line as it runs from the Adriatic and links up with the Macedonian front.

### Five Fires Devastating Large Areas of Timber

San Francisco, July 13.—Five uncontrolled forest fires were consuming large areas of pine and fir timber in the Klamath National forest and in the Onion valley, Plumas county, the United States forestry service announced here today.

Sixteen thousand acres have been burned over already in the Onion valley. The forestry service has been advised that there is no chance of controlling this fire for five days or more.

The other fires are in Siskiyou county, and are baffling the best efforts of scores of fighters.

### German-American Alliance Incorporation Act Repealed

Washington, July 13.—The house today passed the senate bill repealing the act incorporating the National German-American alliance after a debate of only a few minutes. There was no record vote.

### Senate to Delay Vote on Prohibition Until Aug. 26

Washington, July 13.—The senate today formally agreed, by unanimous consent, to postpone a vote on the national prohibition legislation until after the proposed three-day recess period ends August 26.