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AUSTRIA'S REQUEST FOR CONFERENCE
The Austrian request for a conference to discuss peace terms did not come as a surprise, having been foreshadowed in the speeches of Czernin and Burian, recently commented upon.

What We Are Doing In France.
Robert M. McBride in Leslie's.
It is little wonder that we amazed the French. They do only one thing quickly—fight the Huns.

The Bee's Letter Box
Falconer Will Preserve the Spring.
Omaha, Sept. 13.—To the Editor of The Bee: It has come to me that there is a rumor afloat that I, as park commissioner, intend to close the spring at Elmwood park.

Right in the Spotlight.
Andrew Bonar Law, who celebrates his 60th birthday today, is one of the outstanding figures in British politics and public affairs.

One Year Ago Today in the War.
Kerensky, as head of the Provisional government, proclaimed Russia a republic.

Thirty Years Ago in Omaha.
Mrs. Robert Ringwald and Miss Gertrude Ringwald returned home after a few months' absence in the east.

Pershing's Victory Growing.
As more detailed accounts of Pershing's drive against the St. Mihiel salient come from France, the brilliance of that operation increases.

The Water is all ready for Fort Crook as soon as the main is connected, and this waits only on the War department now.

The leaser asks who injected hatred into the war. It may have been the man who wrote the hymn ending "Gott strafe England!"

Separate peace with Austria might have its attractions, were it possible. But the Kaiser will not allow his vassal to slip out so easily.

Do not, in your haste, overlook the American merchant marine. It is growing apace, and its share of the war work is being done splendidly.

You will notice that neither Haig nor Petain spent any time watching Pershing. They are keeping Fritz busy all along the line. Good teamwork.

Well, in ordinary times a corn crop of 2,800,000,000 bushels would be accepted as worth while, and it probably will serve for the present. Next year we will raise more.

The Yanks are showing up in many places along the battle front, and will establish a record for ubiquity along with their other contributions to the measurings of Ludendorff.

Peace based on victory is the only sort that Americans can accept. We have not made all our sacrifices to accept a patched-up agreement. Anything short of our full program means our boys have died in vain.

Another ten-story hotel with 250-room capacity added to Omaha's equipment ought to impress outsiders, as well as the home folks, with the important growth the city has made and is making. And we yet have room for more.

Congressman Greene of Iowa eloquently pleaded with the house against the waste of public funds, and the members walked out on him, showing a fine disregard for any discussion of the great revenue bill. This spirit of indifference to responsibility in congress is not inspiring to the people who foot the bills.

Shortage of Gasoline.
Fuel Administrator Garfield has given out figures that show the daily deficit in America's gasoline supply at present to be 3,000 barrels a day. Reserve stock of oil has been reduced more than 4,000,000 barrels since April 1. These figures indicate the increased use of this fuel under war demands, as well as the necessity for curtailment in some ways in order that actual needs of the government may not be interfered with.

Tariff for Revenue Also.
Representative Sloan made one telling point in his mild criticism of the pending revenue measure. It is that the majority of the committee has entirely ignored one of the surest and most reasonable sources of government income, that of duty on imports. Blindly devoted to the exploded dogma of free trade, the democrats persist in neglecting the tariff, even in war time, when, if ever, such taxes would be justified. It means nothing to them, apparently, that Great Britain, hitherto the leading exponent of the free trade idea, has abandoned its position and collects a considerable of its income at its ports, its revenue from this amounting to several times the proportion of the whole so received by the United States.

Individual Initiative.
They said that the day of the individual in war was done, that the age of the hero was over, that in the struggle of the twentieth century only multitudinous masses counted or could even be discerned in the conflict, that, on the battlefields of the world, the opposing armies were but giant machines with each man an infinitesimal, inconspicuous cog. To those watching from a branch of the service, as if only the gallant chaste pilots darting lonely across the perilous skies had inherited the glory that used to be.

Roy McKelvie starts his formal campaign for the governorship today, and Nebraskans will get a good chance to measure the young man who has made such a splendid record for himself. McKelvie's methods are the sort that win.

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MILLIONS SAVED IN WAR SALVAGE BEHIND U.S. ARMY
Material Saved Behind American Advances Amounts to \$2,500,000 During August.
American Supply Headquarters, Tours, France, Sept. 13.—Two cartloads of hair brushes abandoned by American soldiers in camps were brought today to the great salvage depot of the American army here.

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