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The ineluctable bolshevik is now following the flu germ through Germany. The question is yet unsettled as to which is the less to be desired.

Governor McKelvie says his election is due to the pledges in the republican platform. Yes, and the people know those pledges will be carried into action.

Russians are frantically appealing for help from America, which they will get, but in the meantime they might show good faith by helping themselves a little.

Revolting sailors of the German navy are reported to have put to sea under the red flag. That will avail them nothing, unless they stick to the Russian waters.

### WHEN PEACE DOES COME.

Premier Clemenceau, addressing the Chamber of Deputies, said it will be harder to win peace than to win war. This thought must be uppermost in the minds of all close students of economic and political conditions, and the two are bound together more closely now than ever. In all the great countries of the world the efforts have been devoted so exclusively to war for the last four years that peace has had little, if any, consideration. France and Germany have made slight preparation; British statesmen have debated the future to some extent and tentative programs have been formulated, but nothing is definitely decided upon. In the United States the first step is to be taken.

Political conditions in America will undergo the least change. Our form of government is determined by a written constitution, and beyond the proposed prohibition and possible suffrage amendments no modification in it is seriously contemplated. Economic conditions are not so fixed, and as a result of the disturbance of the war are more than ever in a fluid state. Transition from peace to war was accomplished with greater facility than will likely mark reversal of the process. Lack of a definite program will foster disorder, and much jolting of the machinery will undoubtedly follow.

Winning peace will be the task for the government from now on. The passage of the Weeks resolution might easily be a good start in direction of the final provisions. In view of the election result, it is even more desirable now that the great question be considered by a nonpartisan body. Whatever is done, our real trials in connection with the war are ahead of us, for it is yet to be settled if we have made democracy safe for the world.

#### Chairman Hays a Champion.

Six months ago a lot of experienced politicians were asking, "Who is this man Hays?" They know now. He is a live wire, carrying a tremendous voltage and discharging his revivifying currents in all directions. He was set the task of reuniting the republican party of the nation, of smoothing out a lot of wrinkles, settling factional disputes and getting the forces of the party organized for victory. How persistently and energetically he worked no one can say better than those wheel horses of the party, who know what a mountain of labor he had. But there is about Hays something that inspires confidence, not only in the man himself, but in his plans. His enthusiasm caught up others, and the rank and file of the party responded to his call. When the president proposed that partisanship be made a test of loyalty Mr. Hays answered: "Mr. Wilson forces the republican party to lie down or fight. I say fight! Answer with your votes!" He got his answer in an overwhelming republican victory. Chairman Hays has made good.

#### The Bee's Slogan for Omaba.

The Omaha Chamber of Commerce has wisely adopted The Bee's prize-winning slogan, "The Industrious East and the Productive West Shake Hands Through Omaha." It is terse and yet it tells just what Omaha stands for. Here is the gateway through which passes the richest commerce of an opulent nation. Here the buyer and seller meet, the manufacturer of the east and the farmer and stock raiser of the west, the raw material and the finished product-all make up the industrial and commercial life of Omaha. To Miss Christiansen, who wrote the slogan and was awarded the prize, The Bee extends congratulations for having furnished a great and enterprising city with a brief and yet comprehensive motto, expressive of the true secret of its past, present and future prosperity.

# Downfall of the Hapsburgs

#### Kansas City Star.

It begins to look as if the latest-perhaps the last-of the ruling Hapsburgs of the ancient House of Austria is due for a diet of woolly worms at the next council table, and with it a new anthem to be entitled "Nobody Loves Me." After Hungary has cut its heart out and the Czecho-Slavs have decapitated it and the Jugo-Slavs made away with its pedal extremities and the new "German Nation" has lopped off one arm and the Roumanians and Ruthenians the other, there will be nothing left of Austria but Papa Karl and a little bunch of archdukes, who will have to join the kings in exile and look for apartments for the winter, with all signs pointing to a long, hard winter.

But what of the Austrian nation? There is no Austrian nation; there has never been an Austrian nation. Austria is a name, and it is nothing more. There is not a rood of ground in the so-called dual empire that could put forth a claim to an Austrian nationality. There is no Austrian race. There is-and always has been -only the Hapsburg family, which was sent over by Germany into that section of the country during the middle ages to look after Europe's back yard, to collect the odds and ends of unprotected nationalities, to be ready with its wide-open grab bag in the kitchen cabinets of nations, to carry off the troublesome parcels of territory that would not merge harmoniously into the schemes of the front parlor mapmakers.

The name Austria is merely a corruption of "Oesterreich," or eastern realm, a term used as early as 976 by Emperor Otto II to designate the eastern frontiers of the holy Roman empire. which was Germany. Later on the "Oesterreich" duchy was carved out of the country above and below the Enns and "conferred" on 'a new-made German duke and his heirs. This was the nucleus of Austria. It wasn't long before the new duke and his family grabbed off Styria and put it into the hopper.

The Hapsburg family began business in the thirteenth century with Rudolph of Hapsburg, who vanquished Ottakar, the son of the king of Bohemia, and gave the duchies of Austria and Styria to his sons, Albert and Rudolph. The national slogan of the Hapsburg family was divide et impera, "divide and rule," which meant to foment strife among the little nations and stand by with the grab bag. Inspired by the Hapsburg family policy, aided and abetted by Germany, Austria and the Hapsburgs waxed fat and prosperous for centuries. Far or near made no difference to these pickers-up of unconsidered trifles of lands and peoples. They reached over into Switzerland and annexed a few cantons. Carinthia and the Tyrol were bagged in due time. The Netherlands were made to contribute a bit to the Austrian pot. Venice and Bavaria were squeezed for a few contributions to the hodge podge. Alsace and Lorraine were picked up for trading purposes. Moravia was annexed, while other nations were busy elsewhere. Then along came a Hapsburg with a real Hun helmet and mailed fist and made a big grab in the conquest of Bohemia, the land of the Czechs, and tried for three centuries to make it wear a German uniform, with what success events of this day are evidencing. It was in 1687 that Leopold I forced the Hungarians to make their kingdom hereditary in the Hapsburg family.

At every council table where the nations met to cut the European melon the Hapsburgs, whether actively engaged in the warfare or not, were always on hand waiting at the back door for whatever the nations had to give or take. In the peace of Westphalia, 1648, they lost Alsace to France, but picked up a litlte territory adjacent to their dominions as an offset. At the peace of Utrecht, 1713, Austria obtained the Spanish Netherlands, Milan, Mantua, Naples and Sardinia, but later, at the peace of Vienna. 1735, the powers "frisked" the Hapsburgs of Naples, Sicily and Milan, but before they left the kitchen this time they picked up Parma and Piacenza. At the first partition of Poland the Hapsburgs were there as usual, and as nobody else seemed to show any particular hankerings for Galicia and Lodomeria, they were picked up and thrown into the Hapsburg grab bag.

### Thirty Years Ago Today C. S. Mellen of the Union Pacific, and family have taken up winter quarters at the Murray.

Omaha canteen has been closed in

accordance with the order received further reduces the little food al-from the War department, but the lowed us by ordering less butter for enlarge the lunch room.

building a cable railway. Mrs. Dr. Hopkins of Guthrie Center, Ia, is the guest of Mrs. Dr. Hos- The regulation plays right into the

tetter, of this city. N. D. Allen of the Patrick Land picious company has taken up quarters at

the Murray for the winter Henry A. Darrow and Miss Emma L. Jones were married in New York and will reach Omaha in a few days. where they will make their home at

518 South Twenty-second street. CENTER SHOTS.

Detroit Free Fress: The next German treaty will be a little more than a mere scrap of paper. St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Added

is about half the size of a dollar bill to "15 decisive battles of the world" and just about as thick. Every might be that of Chateau-Thierry, time I dine I see people eat their where American troops proved that scanty meals, get up and, with Amerthe outcome of the war was settled. ican pride, walk uncomplainingly Minneapolis Tribune: For the fur-they have taken out of Bel-gry. I have worked hungry many niture they have taken out of Beldays, and I have noticed many orgium the Germans may be able to get terms from the allies-\$3,000,000 dering and eating even less than I. so I know they are hungry. We down, \$3,000,000 a month, 10 per have done "our bit" and we glory in cent off for cash.

it, but we'd like a square deal from Washington Post: Abdicate, evache country we love so much. That uate, disarm, dismantle, abandon, inorder "to cut the portion of meat as demnity, demobilize, restore, guaransmall as practical" is too elastic of tee, mortgage-there are many posapplication to be just. sibilities in the words "unconditional While crushing kaiserism abroad, surrender.'

have a care that discriminating in-Baltimore American: Germany justice at home does not sow seeds may cry out against the terms of a of resentment that some day may be peace which will leave the nation more than a muttering of disaphelpless, disarmed and humiliated. proval. but then the allies can retort that A HOMELESS WORKER. all the stern measures they will take

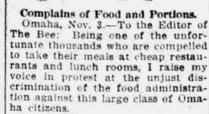
are dictated by "military necessity." MIRTHFUL MOMENTS. Brooklyn Eagle: Stefansson "They say the way to a man's heart

speaks as one with authority when through his stomach, so I'm making he says that the Pole is not the cold- intough his stomach, so im making tome cake for Algy."
"Does he eat this stuff?"
"Certainly. Why do you ask?"
"It's only because he loves you. The way to his stomach is through his heart." est place on earth. Any pacifist who has been on trial before a jury of his peers has come out of the courtcoom convinced that the explorer is Louisville Courier-Journal. wholly right.

New York Herald: Adulation is all right in its place, but it is imposkings of old times and kings now." sible to see merit in Mr. Josephus "In what way?" Daniels' enthusiastic assertion that Mr. Wilson's "14 demands" rank

with the historic utterances of Mr. Lincoln at Gettysburg. Some way we have never heard that Mr. Lincoin's address required amendment, amplification or interpretation.





Une Deest

Prior to the new ruling that went nto effect October 21 we were dining all too meagerly; every order of the food administration had been eagerly seized on to reduce the amount of food served at restaurants until, yes, sir, many were actually going hungry, Now our righteous and patriotic government

directors are making preparations to us, meat to be served in smaller amounts, bread and butter to be had only when ordered, and that in very A permit has been granted to the meager quantities. But not Metropolitan to open California word do these patriotic law-makers street from Institute boulevard four say about the price of meals being blocks eastward for the purpose of reduced in proportion to the cutting down of the amount of food served. or of furnishing other food to make up for the shortage of the reduction.

> pocket of the dispensers of foodand, to say the least, it looks sus-

This regulation is aimed at and strikes the most pitiful and helpless part of our population. Who that has a home patronizes these eating places for more than an occasional lunch? Who that has a good income and no home but boards at a place where, in proportion to the board money they can afford to pay, that "practical small cutting of the meat" takes on a monstrous propor-tion compared to that served by our

chain restaurants and other "cheap"

(?) eating houses? Where the

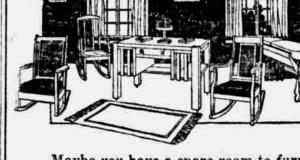
writer dines the piece of meat served

them." Detroit Free Press.

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Do we get the special election on the home rule charter, or will the matter be allowed to lapse into somnolence again? Something ought to be done on this point.

The Bee never received a higher compliment than when citizens called to learn if peace really had been signed. Folks who want truth in repard to the news know where to apply.

Reliable news reports from the front indicate that the armies are paying no attention to peace negotiations, but continue to speak the anguage best understood by the Hun.

Purveyors of the ouija board information overlooked Haig and Pershing when notifying folks of the end of the war, and that pair of well-meaning warriors went right on belaboring the Hun.

Some relief is noted in the absence of vainelorious boasting from Germany of the invincibility of its armies and the superior ability of its high and mighty generals. Both have been so soundly drubbed that silence is their only balm.

Union Thanksgiving services are proposed for Omaha. This is a good plan, not only for this, but for all future years. The blessings of Providence are bestowed on all and may be well acknowledged without any divisoin as to creed or race.

General von Ostrowski, commanding Bavarian troops retreating from Ghent, dined at a private home, and after dinner tore down curtains with his own hands and appropriated as souvenirs articles that took his fancy. All the Huns do not come from Prussia.

Fighting along the Rio Grande between Mexicans and Texas rangers reminds us that the business down there was only adjourned, not finished. Proceedings in/Europe should impress the ebullient Greaser with a notion of Uncle Sam's readiness to take up the matter just where it was left off in 1916.

## The Woods and the War

If you want to forget that the world is at war, accept the welcome of the hospitable woods and leave your troubles to the wind and the trees. There are no first-page headlines there; no talk of armistice; no clamor for war; 10 peace negotiations; no Transatlantic conversations; no electioneeering; no politics; no adjournment; no profiteering; no investigations; no food and fuel conservations; no tirades from the president; no tirades from former presidents; no rattle of sabers; no scratching of pens; no delays in the mails; no vain telephone calls; no crowded cars; no liquorless bars.

Just now autumn's gay robes are fading ld and scarlet are turning to lemon and brown; the great beeches are already bare, but the royal oaks still flaunt their crimson vestments; white caravels sail in the sapphire sky. Listen, and the whispering leaves will tell you of peace. The sunbeams will dance in the shadowy mazes to convince you that life-real, free, fresh, open-air life-is still filled with rapture. Your eye will sparkle and your heart beat higher; the air has the rich fragrance of sunkissed, purple Burgundy; the October tonic is a sovereign specific for all the ills of mind and heart. None here can be homesick or heartsick. The cool breezes will smooth the wrinkled brow and quiet the feverish brain; no crowds; no haste; no worry. No cure, no pay.-Washington Post.

# Congress Under Republican Control.

Republicans will have control in both the senate and the house of the next congress. This means the complete reorganization of the working committees of congress, and while it is too early to dispose of the important places, it is certain that the sectional domination set up by the democrats will be readjusted. Two of the house chairmen will be retired with distinct advantage of the country. Dent of Alabama, successor, and disciple as head of the military affairs committee to "Jimmy" Hay, the great apostle of unreadiness, and Kitchin of North Carolina, head of the ways and means committee, who announced that he would make the north pay for the war, will be removed. This alone is sufficient to warrant jubilation over the return of the republicans. In the senate chairmanships will also change, and the most important of all, that of foreign relations, will be given to a senator who is not tainted through his relations with and sympathy for the kaiserites. Peace treaties must go to this committee, and it is vital to American interests that its chairman be 100 per cent American. This is another victory resulting from the election. It is scarcely probable an extraordinary session of congress will be called, so that the reorganization will be postponed until December of next

year, but the fact that it is coming will reassure the country.

#### To Save the Amendments.

Returns from election so far received indicate the failure of the secretary of state to comply with the law is having effect on the two constitutional propositions submitted. Voters, apparently relying on the belief that straight tickets of both parties would be counted for the amendments, did not trouble to specifically vote for them. In Douglas county, and perhaps in some others, instructions were so given to election boards, but most of the county clerks ignored these propositions, and now there is a likelihood of their being lost on face of returns. However, the legislature is charged by law with the duty of canvassing the returns, and it is within its power to open the ballot boxes and recount the votes. If such a course be followed, notice can be taken of the fact that the secretary of state did not properly carry out the instructions of the voters at the primary, and all straight party ballots may be counted in affirmative on the amendments. In this way they can be saved, and the "blunder" made at the state house redeemed.

Remember that the war camp community service drive starts on Monday, and that its assistance will be needed in France and elsewhere with the American army for many months after peace is declared. Therefore, do not withhold your contribution just because cessation of active hostility is immine

And so the game went on down through the centuries. Many of its stolen possessions, Austria was forced to give up from time to time, always begging, however, for its quid pro quo. As a matter of fact, for a long time Austria was the national "goat" of Europe. If any of the big nations wanted a little chunk of territory to round things off nicely it took it from Austria. If there was a piece of troublesome country that didn't take kindly to the yoke and was likely to upset things, it was handed over to Austria to put on its charm string. All was fish that came into the Hapsburg net, but the trouble was they never became Austrian fish. As a sample of some of the "jobs" they handed it witness Bosnia and Herzegovina, which the congress of Berlin, after the Russo-Turkish war in 1877-78, "allowed Austria to occupy"-an occupation that cost it 40,000 men and millions of money before these doughty nations were brought under the yoke of the Hapsburgs in 1908

Today-or at least at the outbreak of the present war-the population of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy embraces a greater number of races, distinct in origin and language, than that of any other European country, except, perhaps, Russia.

The map of Austria is the crazy quilt of Eu-Though the German element has up to this time retained the ascendancy, the Slavs are the most numerous race, amounting to more tahn 47 per cent of the whole population. The Germans come next, with about 23 per cent, and then the Magyars, with about 20 per cent. The Slavs are divided into a number of nationalities, differing in language, religion and customs. They form the bulk of the population of Bohemia, Moravia, Galicia, Carniola, Dalmatia, Croatia, Slavonia and the north of Hungary. Included in the Slav nationalities are the Czechs in Bohemia and Moravia, the Poles in Galicia, the Ruthenians in Galicia and Hungary, the Croats and Serbs in Croatia and Slavonia, the Slovaks in northwestern Hungary, the Slovenes in Carniola, Styria, Gorz and Gradisca, and the Morlaks in Dalmatia.

The Germans are dispersed over the country, predominating in Upper and Lower Austria, Salzburg, Tyrol, Styria and Carinthia. The Magyars constitute about 50 per cent of the Hungarian kingdom. Transylvania is peopled mostly by Roumanians. There are many Italians in the Tyrol, as well as in Istria, Triest and Dalmatia, and other Roumanic peoples, such as the Ladins and the Friauls, are scattered in settlements throughout the country. There are nearly 3,000,000 Jews in Austria-Hungary and a large number of gypsies, estimated at about 100,000. But there are no Austrians in Austria, ethnologically speaking. There are only Haps-burgs, and the peoples of other nations that the Hapsburgs acquired.

### People and Events

The wet belt of Kansas City, Mo., just across the street from the dry belt of Kansas City, Kan., is doing more business than ever before. Boozeries spread the notion that "whisky and quinine" are a combination the "flu" couldn't beat, so the drys line up two and three deep to get the medicine. Authorities assert the rush is a menace and a fruitful means of spreading the plague, yet calmly look on and do nothing.

It's all off on the German toy business in New York. The importer whose shipload, bought and paid for in 1914, arrived from Holland a week ago, charged off the loss and refused to receive the goods. "American manufacturers of toys have succeeded so well." says the firm, "that today America does not need German-made goods." From this may be visioned the trend of trade in the immediate future.

Wake! For the Hun is scattering in flight Before the onward push of allied might. Wilhelm, awake! And in receptive mood Give ear to fate's decree, and then-good night!

Kultur is slated for a long repose; And Schrecklichkeit upon toborgan goes. But still the Hohenzoilern tumbles not To what the world, outside of Potsdam.

knows. Come!. Stall no more! In Freedom's glowing spring Four winter garment of divine-right fling. It's out of fashion by a hunded years; lome, Bill; get action; or if not, then \_\_\_\_\_Bing!

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For you, who drenched mankind in bloody rain. For you, to whom remonstrance was in When once we've got you where we want

N. P. SWANSON you, Bill. Fou bet your life, you will not get loose Funeral Parlor. (Etablished 1888.) again! -A. K. Folwell in Brooklyn Times 17th and Cuming Sts. Doug. 1060.



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