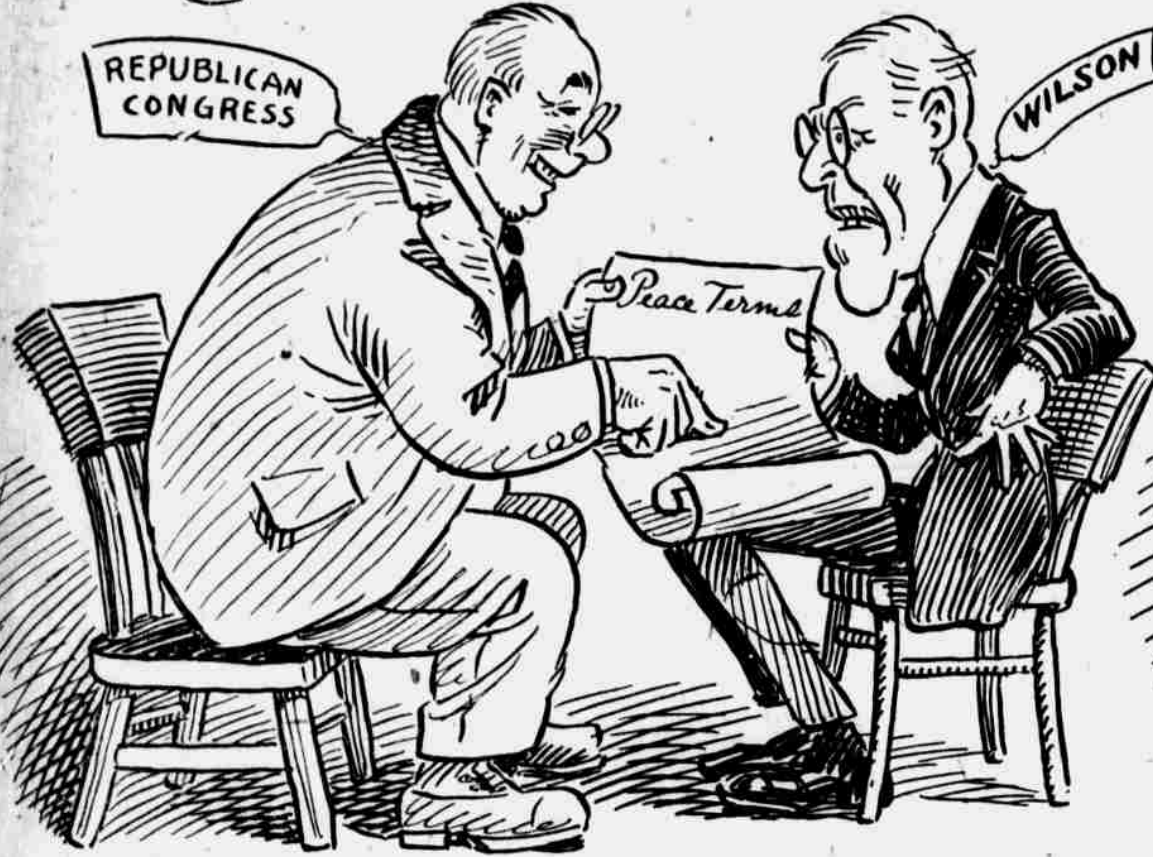


More Peace Pacts



By ROBERT J. HORTON. Life is just one celebration after another these days.

Bill and Hank Wield Caustic Tongue While Plying Brush

You've got to hand it to these two vocalist-painters, Bill and Hank. They've got the proper idea about work.

armistice sent by "the president of the United Press" and verified by the Ouija board lost a chance to make some money.

People who did not suspect that any news service or paper would dare to perpetrate an outrage with a fake like that celebrated accordingly.

Friday Possibilities. For instance on Friday it could have described the arrival of the turned peace envoys in Berlin.

KAISER ABDICATES. And in its United Press-Ouija Board account it could have described a tempestuous scene in the Reichstag with the kaiser hurling his crown into the midst of the scores trying to get at him with razors and everything and running for his life.

KAISER FLEES BERLIN. Copenhagen, Nov. 8.—(Via Ouija Board.)—Former Emperor William has fled with the empress and 1,800 trucks to Switzerland.

It would not have been necessary to state that the former kaiser had reached any destination. This precaution would leave the way clear for a night extra stating that he had been killed when his train was blown to atoms within two and a half miles of the Switzerland frontier and safety.

Chance for Winter. A smart young reporter in the News office could have done some splendid descriptive writing on this feature. The speeding train—the kaiser standing with the empress in his arms on the observation platform—the engineer straining every nerve—eight firemen (former servants in the palace of Potsdam) shoveling in the coal—the great columns of black smoke marching across the sky in the train's wake—the bursting shells—the frontier in the near distance with a few ex-barons standing with outstretched arms waiting to receive the deposed ruler—and then the blast!

789 TRUCKS REQUIRED TO HAUL FIRST INSTALLMENT OF GERMAN INDEMNITY TO ALLIED BANQS. Then they could have told how far the vast sum would reach if put in a thousand dollar bills and stretched out, and how many times larger than the Washington monument is would be if piled up in twenty-dollar gold pieces.

Also they could have told how they could have hung the Crown Prince and Hindenburg and all the rest of the military autocrats to fall back on.

Why, just think of it! They could have hung the Crown Prince to the statue of Bismarck in Berlin; thrown Ludendorff into a deep, dark, smelly, dungeon; staged a wild automobile race for the Holland frontier with two of the kaiser's sons in the front seat (one

driving, to give it a human touch) and Hindenburg in the back seat holding the pursuing rebels at bay with a machine gun in each hand.

What a chance. Why, the News fell down something awful! Also they had the submarine commanders for material.

ALLIES-HANG 300 U-BOAT COMMANDERS. Row of Scaffolds 22 Miles Long Required for Wholesale Executions.

The people would have ate that up no matter whether it came by United Press or via the Ouija Board. That story alone would have sold 10,000 extra papers.

And the American troops. They could have had Pershing crossing the Rhine just as Washington crossed the Delaware. They could have captured Metz as a minor detail with one crisp sentence.

America Ending the War, Writes an English Woman

In a letter to her cousin, Mrs. J. Murphy, 507 North Forty-first street, Mrs. Mary Foley of Cheshire, England, a munition worker, pays high tribute to the Americans. This Englishwoman is an acetylene welder, making the bodies of aerial bombs.

Bumble Bee Buzzings

DEMAND. Among the armistice terms should be a provision that Germany pay for the damage to the court house lawn.

Of All Things! Once we had a dream and we dreamed that President Wilson had done something that suited ex-President Roosevelt.

What Are They? We read something about the winter styles in "cravats" and "great coats" in a haberdasher's journal.

NORTH FROM FARNAM. Farnam Douglas Dodged into the Capitol building and sat on the Daventport.

SHAME ON YOU GUYS! We decline even to smile with those who laugh at the sign on the Woman's War Work building.

We Propose a Toast. Here's to the girl who sticks to her home town position in spite of the romance of a job in Washington, London or Paris.

A CRY OF DESPAIR. We know there are girls as pretty as those on the magazine covers but we never saw a man as nifty-looking as the men in the clothing ads—specially the colored ones. We mean the colored ads, not men.

By Hugo Castberg. There are lots of Omaha men who go "over the top" every day and get nothing out of it.

What Are We Coming To? In the year 1890 there was not a single automobile accident in Omaha. This year there have already been scores of such accidents.

It's An Ill Wind. Albert Tightwad of the South Side says the "flu" closing order was a good thing. He saved \$3.48, he figures as follows:

Mathematics Defied. "More than 11 tons of glass were needed to complete the design and the window will weigh, when placed, over one ton," says the Chicago Trib.

Air Mail Pilot Who May Fly Here Tells Experience. The first New York to San Francisco air flight will probably be made by Edward V. Gardner.

and the terror and detestation of others" is a quoted reference to this famous chief. The Omahas gained their greatest renown and prosperity during his chieftaincy.

Blackbird was the first chief of the Omahas to enter into treaty negotiations with the government of Spain. The first treaty between this chief and the Spanish governor general of Louisiana was signed at New Orleans May 12, 1790.

One day the Poncas started something and to their sorrow learned that Blackbird was boss. Realizing defeat, the Ponca chief dispatched a herald, bearing the calumet, the pipe of peace.

Blackbird Hill. The chief point of historical interest near Decatur is Blackbird hill, a commanding prominence which offers a view of many miles along the river.

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Little Journeys to Nearby Towns

By Edward Black Decatur

Decatur ranks foremost among Nebraska towns having a wealth of history, and yet it may in truth be stated that it is one of the least known hereabouts, probably because it is not on a railroad line.

Founded 63 Years Ago. Decatur was established in 1855 by the Decatur Town and Ferry company, among whose members were Peter A. Sarpy, Ben E. Folsom, Stephen Decatur and W. B. Beck.

Could Have Had Railroad. This town could have had a railroad if it would have accepted a stub-line 42 years ago, from Tekamah, but it has been waiting for an east and west trunk line from Iowa and is willing to wait until it gets what it wants.

this commonwealth had a great and glorious future, but that line did not materialize. When the first passenger train steamed into Tekamah on August 30, 1876, Decatur might have joined in the celebration which thrilled Burt county.

Commodore Stephen Decatur. The name of Commodore Stephen Decatur stands out in bold relief in Nebraska history. For a time he had charge of the Sarpy trading post in Bellevue, where he read a burial service over the body of Chief Logan Fontenelle of the Omaha.

Decatur Saved Neil. Decatur played a heroic role on the occasion of the fatal stabbing of Tecumseh Fontenelle by his brother-in-law, Louis Neil, who married Susan Fontenelle.

John A. MacMurphy wrote these lines of Decatur: "Among the characters who figured in the early history of Nebraska, and served to give force and piquancy to its frontier days, was one calling himself Stephen Decatur, and who claimed to be a nephew of the old original Commodore Decatur, the title of 'commodore' was tacked to his name.

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