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stream is 500 miles longer than the St. Lawrence with the Great Lakes, three times as long as the Rhine and twice as long as the heavily laden Danube.

Scarcely a Straw.

Possibly there may be some of the thirsty ones who find comfort and assurance in the results of an election in the Minnesota village of Osseo in which the citizens went on record by a vote of 58 to 21 for "legislation favoring the sale of light wine and beer."

Chesterton and Dickens.

There are some persons it is well not to wish to see, much less to converse with over a hand shake or at dinner. Think of those writers or public men to whom you are most devoted and hope never to be disenchanted from your enthusiastic ideal by actual acquaintance.

Probably in this way the visit of G. K. Chesterton to America has been unfortunate. He is neither as fat as had been imagined, nor does he rise to the public importunities to say something very clever.

Women at Prize Fights.

In striving to account for the attendance of women at recent prize fights the theory is now advanced that they are asserting themselves just as do the men who crowd the theaters for spectacular performances that center the main interest on the charms of the chorus.

The Base Ball Fiasco.

No blame is removed from professional baseball by the dropping of the cases against the former White Sox players who months ago were indicted for the alleged throwing of the world series of 1919.

Can River Boats Come Back?

As far back as 1819 the Missouri river was navigated. Remnants of that great commerce which led ships 2,285 miles upstream to Fort Benton still persist in isolated stretches, but the most astonishing thing that could happen would be a resumption of through traffic.

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The man who is irritated by trifles has no great worries, and when it is considered that the criticisms of President Harding made thus far deal only with trivialities, the conclusion is that everyone is pretty well satisfied.

Prussia's Recent Election

Analysis of the Voting and Possible Party Grouping (Walter Littlefield in the New York Times.) The Prussians on February 20 held their first state election under the new constitution. The results reveal, even more emphatically than did the elections to the Reichstag last June and the elections in Saxony last November, a weakening of the present governmental system in all Germany by defections from the coalition parties.

The government, therefore, in order to maintain its majority in the new Landtag, or Diet, will be obliged to ally itself with factions which are either less democratic or more democratic than itself. Leaders of the majority socialists, in view of the pending reparations deliberations with the Allies, are said to prefer the more modified alliance—one with the German people's party, for example. This would mean a decided step in the direction of all that Prussia was before and during the war rather than a step in the direction of rational democracy, of which the foundations were laid by the revolution.

The need of brevity as well as the wish not to repeat too frequently prevents me from giving a list of books which would be of use to those who are worried, neurotic, nervous, and nervous prostration. I do print such lists from time to time, but I should not be expected to do so at short intervals.

The treatment for such disorders is social. It must be self-administered in the main. Books serving as textbooks for the study of mental and social habits are of service. I wish every woman subject to nervousness or nervous prostration would read Myerson's "The Nervous Housewife."

From the war and the revolution the following party changes had been produced: From the fact that a majority of the social democrats had supported the government policy in the war, they became the majority socialists, and for a time were still led by Scheidemann, while those who had placed internationalism above Germany joined the independents of the Reichstag who were led out by Hasse, Bernstein and Kautsky.

The former conservative factions, the junkers led by Count zu Reventlow and the pan-Germans led by Count von Westarp, formed under the latter the national party (the Deutsche Nationale Volkspartei) and drew to it some factions from the old center which described themselves as Christian socialists, but who in reality were anti-Semites.

Another party absorbed the right wings of the two parties, which had already lost their left wings, representing the agrarians of the rural districts and the business interests of the cities. This party was called the people's party (the Deutsche Volkspartei). Just before the Assembly election it attempted to absorb the purely political elements of the Christian-democratic people's party and failed, although it gained many recruits.

These were the principal changes observed in the parties which took part in the Assembly elections of two years ago, the Guelphs, or Hanoverian separatists, retaining their ancient program, and with these changes the majority socialists have since maintained a government for Germany to the present day.

Table with 2 columns: Party and Assembly. Rows include Majority socialists (45), Center (Catholics) (14), Democrats (6), Nationalists (4), People's party (18), Communists (4), Independent socialists (1), Agrarian democrats (1), Guelphs (6), Other parties (6), and Totals (491).

The communists did not vote as such for the Assembly two years ago. On February 20 they polled 1,200,000 votes and elected 30 deputies. With the 26 independent, or minority socialists, they will constitute the extreme left opposition wing in the chamber.

Thus we see this alternative presented to the coalition, which has lost 86 seats, while the conservative or reactionary parties have gained 48 and the extreme socialist or revolutionary parties have made a gain of 32 over their sole representative in the assembly, the independent socialists, who there had only 24 seats.

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It takes as much patriotism to pay taxes without kicking as it does to fight a war.

How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally, subject to proper limitation, where a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed. Dr. Evans will not write or prescribe for individuals. Address letters in care of The Bee.

ESCAPING FROM "NERVES."

"Enclose clipping of your answer to Mr. W. K. N. You're Very Truly written public reply to letters about I have thought you lacking in helpfulness to those who appeal to you. To tell a person to get self-control is not really to help very much. Why not direct him to the literature (you surely must know the proper books) that will instruct him to acquire peace and relaxation?"

Here's Easy Remedy. Mrs. B. writes: "Please give me a formula for excessive perspiration in the armpits. Is such a preparation harmful?"

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Traveling Men Healthy. E. H. W. writes: "I. Please inform me what are the statistics relative to the healthfulness or unhealthfulness of traveling as an occupation. Is riding in filthy trains, sleeping in public beds, and eating indifferent hotel cooking conducive to ill health and disease, or do they exposures set up an immunity from disease?"

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What's What. BY HELEN DECIE. It sometimes happens that during a time of trouble with his back teeth a boy begins to use only his front teeth for mastication. There is danger that this may become a permanent habit after the temporary cause has been removed.

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The Bee's Letter Box

Mr. Gribble is Nominated. Omaha, March 15.—To the Editor of The Bee: I think it is possible that I may claim the credit of suggesting to George Gribble of the South Side, first, that he run for city commissioner this spring, and I am very glad to see he is willing to run.

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CENTER SHOTS. Wilson Spent Last Evening Studying Bills.—Headline. So did we.—Arkansas Gazette. "That's what I call giving something for nothing," said the husband as he viewed his wife's new evening gown.—El Paso Herald.

A United States treasury official says there are millions hidden in the United States.—Well, they can search us.—Springfield (Ohio) News. The new sweet pea to be exhibited at the flower show next week is to be named for the President's wife. Obviously, a Harding annual.—New York Tribune.

Why Bother With Ashes? Ashes, soot, shaking the furnace, both of shoveling coal—all can be done away with. Install a Nokoi Automatic Heater. Burns fuel only when heat is needed. Automatically shuts off when your home reaches the temperature you require. Is under thermostat control. Gives a home all the heating conveniences of a modern flat.

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